

RD-A157 517

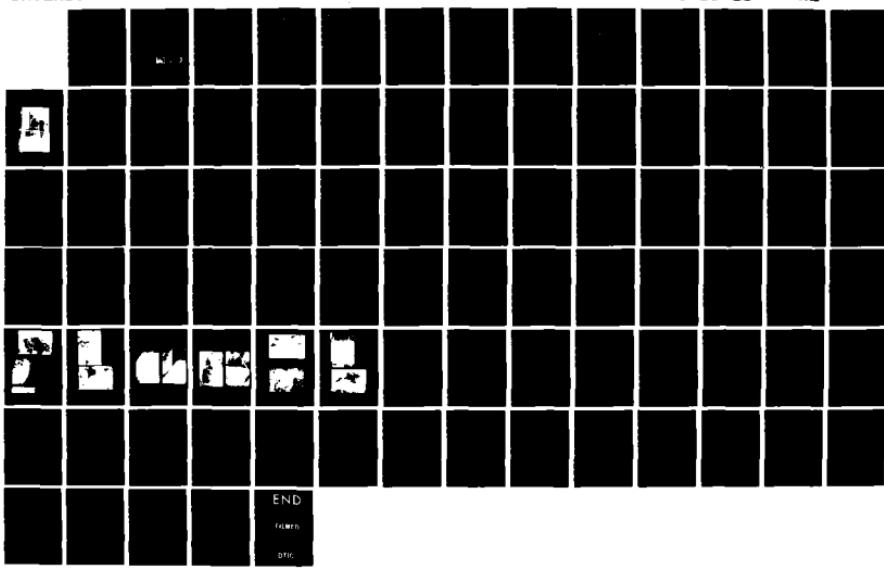
NATIONAL PROGRAM FOR INSPECTION OF NON-FEDERAL DAMS  
COLCHESTER POND DAM C. (U) CORPS OF ENGINEERS WALTHAM  
MA NEW ENGLAND DIV OCT 80

1/1

UNCLASSIFIED

F/G 13/13

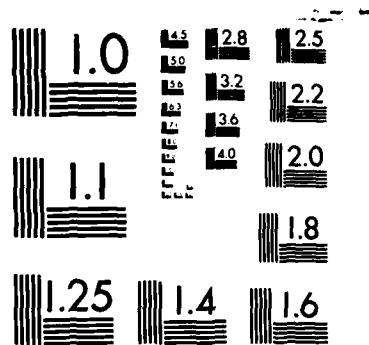
NL



END

FORMED

DTIG



MICROCOPY RESOLUTION TEST CHART  
NATIONAL BUREAU OF STANDARDS-1963-A

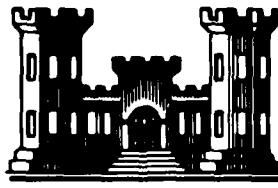
AD-A157 517

RICHELIEU RIVER BASIN  
COLCHESTER, VERMONT

(1)

COLCHESTER POND DAM  
VT 00056

PHASE I INSPECTION REPORT  
NATIONAL DAM INSPECTION PROGRAM



DEPARTMENT OF THE ARMY  
NEW ENGLAND DIVISION, CORPS OF ENGINEERS  
WALTHAM, MASS. 02154

OCT., 1980

DISTRIBUTION STATEMENT A  
Approved for public release;  
Distribution Unlimited

85 7 01 157

DTIC FILE COPY

**UNCLASSIFIED**

SECURITY CLASSIFICATION OF THIS PAGE (When Data Entered)

<b>REPORT DOCUMENTATION PAGE</b>		<b>READ INSTRUCTIONS BEFORE COMPLETING FORM</b>
1. REPORT NUMBER  VT 00056	2. GOVT ACCESSION NO.	3. RECIPIENT'S CATALOG NUMBER
4. TITLE (and Subtitle)  Colchester Pond Dam		5. TYPE OF REPORT & PERIOD COVERED  INSPECTION REPORT
6. AUTHOR(s)  U.S. ARMY CORPS OF ENGINEERS NEW ENGLAND DIVISION		7. PERFORMING ORG. REPORT NUMBER
8. PERFORMING ORGANIZATION NAME AND ADDRESS		9. PROGRAM ELEMENT, PROJECT, TASK AREA & WORK UNIT NUMBERS
10. CONTROLLING OFFICE NAME AND ADDRESS  DEPT. OF THE ARMY, CORPS OF ENGINEERS NEW ENGLAND DIVISION, NEDED 424 TRAPELO ROAD, WALTHAM, MA. 02254		11. REPORT DATE  October 1980
12. MONITORING AGENCY NAME & ADDRESS (if different from Controlling Office)		13. NUMBER OF PAGES  47
14. DISTRIBUTION STATEMENT (of this Report)  APPROVAL FOR PUBLIC RELEASE: DISTRIBUTION UNLIMITED		15. SECURITY CLASS. (of this report)  UNCLASSIFIED
16. DECLASSIFICATION/DOWNGRADING SCHEDULE		
17. DISTRIBUTION STATEMENT (of the abstract entered in Block 20, if different from Report)		
18. SUPPLEMENTARY NOTES  Cover program reads: Phase I Inspection Report, National Dam Inspection Program; however, the official title of the program is: National Program for Inspection of Non-Federal Dams; use cover date for date of report.		
19. KEY WORDS (Continue on reverse side if necessary and identify by block number)  DAMS, INSPECTION, DAM SAFETY, Richelieu River Basin Colchester, VT. Pond Brook		
20. ABSTRACT (Continue on reverse side if necessary and identify by block number)  The dam is a reinforced concrete gravity structure about 40 ft. long and 25 ft. high. The dam is considered to be in good condition. No evidence of structural instability was observed, but a slight steep was noted at the ledge contact of the right abutment, which, if allowed to persist, could eventually become great enough to erode the adjacent concrete. It is intermediate in size with a significant hazard potential.		

## **DISCLAIMER NOTICE**

**THIS DOCUMENT IS BEST QUALITY  
PRACTICABLE. THE COPY FURNISHED  
TO DTIC CONTAINED A SIGNIFICANT  
NUMBER OF PAGES WHICH DO NOT  
REPRODUCE LEGIBLY.**



DEPARTMENT OF THE ARMY  
NEW ENGLAND DIVISION, CORPS OF ENGINEERS  
424 TRAPELO ROAD  
WALTHAM, MASSACHUSETTS 02254

REPLY TO  
ATTENTION OF:  
NEDED

MAR 06 1981

Honorable Richard A. Snelling  
Governor of the State of Vermont  
State Capitol  
Montpelier, Vermont 05602

Dear Governor Snelling:

Inclosed is a copy of the Colchester Pond Dam (VT-00056) Phase I Inspection Report, which was prepared under the National Program for Inspection of Non-Federal Dams. This report is presented for your use and is based upon a visual inspection, a review of the past performance and a brief hydrological study of the dam. A brief assessment is included at the beginning of the report. I have approved the report and support the findings and recommendations described in Section 7 and ask that you keep me informed of the actions taken to implement them. This follow-up action is a vitally important part of this program.

A copy of this report has been forwarded to the Department of Water Resources, the cooperating agency for the State of Vermont. In addition, a copy of the report has also been furnished the owner, Colchester Fire District #3, Colchester, Vermont 05446.

Copies of this report will be made available to the public, upon request, by this office under the Freedom of Information Act. In the case of this report the release date will be thirty days from the date of this letter.

I wish to take this opportunity to thank you and the Department of Water Resources for your cooperation in carrying out this program.

Sincerely,

C. E. EDGAR, III  
Colonel, Corps of Engineers  
Division Engineer

Incl  
As stated

COLCHESTER POND DAM  
VT 00056

RICHELIEU RIVER BASIN  
COLCHESTER, VERMONT

PHASE I INSPECTION REPORT  
NATIONAL DAM INSPECTION PROGRAM



Accession For		X
NTIS GRA&I		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
DTIC TAB		<input type="checkbox"/>
Unannounced		<input type="checkbox"/>
Justification		
By		
Distribution/		
Availability Codes		
Avail and/or		
Dist	Special	
A/1		

BRIEF ASSESSMENT  
PHASE I INSPECTION REPORT  
NATIONAL PROGRAM OF INSPECTION OF DAMS

Identification Number: VT 00056  
Name of Dam: COLCHESTER POND DAM  
Town: COLCHESTER  
County and State: CHITTENDEN COUNTY, VERMONT  
Stream: POND BROOK  
Date of Inspection: MAY 6, 1980

The dam, constructed in 1965, is a reinforced concrete gravity structure approximately 40 feet long and 25 feet in height. The upstream face is vertical; the downstream face is sloped at 3 horizontal to 4 vertical. The dam includes a 30 foot ogee crested spillway, of which about 9 feet is rendered ineffective by an adjacent upstream bridge abutment. The reinforced concrete outlet structure at the right abutment contains a valved 6 inch diameter low level drain, two gated 12 inch inlet ports at higher elevations, and a 12 inch valved outlet which originally fed the water system. All gates and valves are reported to be operable.

The dam impounds Colchester Pond and the discharge, Pond Brook, flows in a northwesterly direction approximately 4.2 miles to its mouth at Lake Champlain. Originally constructed as a water supply facility, the structure is now used to maintain the level of Colchester Pond. The pond is 5500 feet in length with a surface area of 182 acres. Normal storage capacity is about 2350 acre-ft.

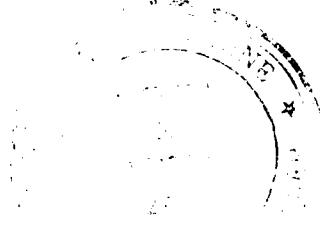
Based on the visual inspection and the review of available data regarding this facility, the dam is considered to be in GOOD condition. No evidence of structural instability was observed, but a slight seep was noted at the ledge contact of the right abutment, which, if allowed to persist, could eventually become great enough to erode the adjacent concrete.

In accordance with the Corps of Engineers Guidelines and the size (INTERMEDIATE) and hazard (SIGNIFICANT) classification of this dam, the Test Flood selected was equivalent to one-half the Probable Maximum Flood (PMF). Peak inflow to Colchester Pond is 2000 cfs; routed peak outflow from the dam is 550 cfs with the water elevation 1.25 feet below the top of dam. The spillway capacity is 850 cfs or about 155 percent of the routed Test Flood outflow from the dam.

It is recommended that the owner engage a qualified registered engineer to access the necessity and means to stop the seepage at the right abutment. This and remedial measures which are discussed in Section 7 should be instituted within two years of the owner's receipt of this report except as otherwise noted.



Stephen D. Murray, P.E.  
Project Manager  
James W. Sewall Company



This Phase I Inspection Report on Colchester Pond Dam (VT-00056) has been reviewed by the undersigned Review Board members. In our opinion, the reported findings, conclusions, and recommendations are consistent with the Recommended Guidelines for Safety Inspection of Dams, and with good engineering judgement and practice, and is hereby submitted for approval.



ARAMAST MAHTESIAN, MEMBER  
Geotechnical Engineering Branch  
Engineering Division



CARNEY M. TERZIAN, MEMBER  
Design Branch  
Engineering Division



JOSEPH W. FINEGAN, JR., CHAIRMAN  
Water Control Branch  
Engineering Division

APPROVAL RECOMMENDED:



JOE B. FRYAR  
Chief, Engineering Division

## PREFACE

This report is prepared under guidance contained in the Recommended Guidelines for Safety Inspection of Dams, for Phase I Investigations. Copies of these guidelines may be obtained from the Office of Chief of Engineers, Washington, D.C. 20314. The purpose of a Phase I Investigation is to identify expeditiously those dams which may pose hazards to human life or property. The assessment of the general condition of the dam is based upon available data and visual inspections. Detailed investigation, and analyses involving topographic mapping, subsurface investigations, testing, and detailed computational evaluations are beyond the scope of a Phase I investigation; however, the investigation is intended to identify any need for such studies.

In reviewing this report, it should be realized that the reported condition of the dam is based on observations of field conditions at the time of inspection along with data available to the inspection team. In cases where the reservoir was lowered or drained prior to inspection, such action, while improving the stability and safety of the dam, removes the normal load on the structure and may obscure certain conditions which might otherwise be detectable if inspected under the normal operating environment of the structure.

It is important to note that the condition of a dam depends on numerous and constantly changing internal and external conditions, and is evolutionary in nature. It would be incorrect to assume that the present condition of the dam will continue to represent the condition of the dam at some point in the future. Only through continued care and inspection can there be any chance that unsafe conditions be detected.

Phase I inspections are not intended to provide detailed hydrologic and hydraulic analyses. In accordance with the established Guidelines, the Spillway Test flood is based on the estimated "Probable Maximum Flood" for the region (greatest reasonably possible storm runoff"), or fractions thereof. Because of the magnitude and rarity of such a storm event, a finding that a spillway will not pass the test flood should not be interpreted as necessarily posing a highly inadequate condition. The test flood provides a measure of relative spillway capacity and serves as an aide in determining the need for more detailed hydrologic and hydraulic studies, considering the size of the dam, its general condition and the downstream damage potential.

The Phase I Investigation does not include an assessment of the need for fences, gates, no-trespassing signs, repairs to existing fences and railings and other items which may be needed to minimize trespass and provide greater security for the facility and safety to the public. An evaluation of the project for compliance with OSHA rules and regulations is also excluded.

## TABLE OF CONTENTS

<u>SECTION</u>	<u>PAGE</u>
Letter of Transmittal	
Brief Assessment	
Review Board Page	
Preface	i
Table of Contents	ii-iv
Overview Photo	v
Location Map	vi

## REPORT

1. PROJECT INFORMATION	1-1
1.1 General	1-1
a. Authority	1-1
b. Purpose of Inspection Program	1-1
1.2 Description of Project	1-1
a. Location	1-1
b. Description of Dam and Appurtenances	1-1
c. Size Classification	1-2
d. Hazard Classification	1-2
e. Ownership	1-2
f. Operator	1-2
g. Purpose of Dam	1-2
h. Design and Construction History	1-2
i. Normal Operational Procedures	1-3
1.3 Pertinent Data	1-3
a. Drainage Area	1-3
b. Discharge at Dam Site	1-3
c. Elevation	1-4
d. Reservoir	1-4
e. Storage	1-4
f. Reservoir Surface	1-4
g. Dam	1-5
h. Diversion and Regulating Tunnel	1-5
i. Spillway	1-5
j. Regulating Outlets	1-6

<u>Section</u>	<u>Page</u>
2. ENGINEERING DATA	2-1
2.1 Design	2-1
a. Available Data	2-1
b. Design Features	2-1
c. Design Data	2-1
2.2 Construction	2-1
a. Available Data	2-1
b. Construction Considerations	2-1
2.3 Operation	2-1
2.4 Evaluation	2-1
a. Availability	2-1
b. Adequacy	2-1
c. Validity	2-1
3. VISUAL INSPECTION	3-1
3.1 Findings	3-1
a. General	3-1
b. Dam	3-1
c. Appurtenant Structures	3-1
d. Reservoir Area	3-1
e. Downstream Channel	3-2
3.2 Evaluation	3-2
4. OPERATIONAL AND MAINTENANCE PROCEDURES	4-1
4.1 Operational Procedures	4-1
a. General	4-1
b. Warning System	4-1
4.2 Maintenance Procedures	4-1
a. General	4-1
b. Operating Facilities	4-1
4.3 Evaluation	4-1
5. EVALUATION OF HYDRAULIC/HYDROLOGIC FEATURES	5-1
5.1 General	5-1

<u>ection</u>	<u>Page</u>
5.2 Design Data	5-1
5.3 Experience Data	5-1
5.4 Test Flood Analysis	5-1
5.5 Dam Failure Analysis	5-2
• EVALUATION OF STRUCTURAL STABILITY	6-1
6.1 Visual Observation	6-1
6.2 Design and Construction Data	6-1
6.3 Post-Construction Changes	6-1
6.4 Seismic Stability	6-1
• ASSESSMENT, RECOMMENDATIONS AND REMEDIAL MEASURES	7-1
7.1 Dam Assessment	7-1
a. Condition	7-1
b. Adequacy of Information	7-1
c. Urgency	7-1
7.2 Recommendations	7-1
7.3 Remedial Measures	7-1
7.4 Alternatives	7-1

#### APPENDIX

APPENDIX A - VISUAL CHECK LIST WITH COMMENTS	A-1
APPENDIX B - ENGINEERING DATA	B-1
APPENDIX C - DETAIL PHOTOGRAPHS	C-1
APPENDIX D - HYDRAULICS/HYDROLOGIC COMPUTATIONS	D-1
APPENDIX E - INFORMATION AS CONTAINED IN THE NATIONAL INVENTORY OF DAMS	E-1

## .5 DAM FAILURE ANALYSIS

Utilizing the April, 1978, "Rule of Thumb Guidance for Estimating Downstream Failure Hydrographs", the peak failure outflow with the pool initially at the top of the dam (el. 388.0 NGVD) would be approximately 2800 cfs. Storage downstream of the dam would not significantly attenuate the peak failure discharge until flow reached the relatively flat area downstream of U.S. Route 2/7 some 2.5 miles from the dam.

The prefailure flood would produce a substantial pool upstream of the 35 foot central Vermont Railroad embankment located 2000 feet downstream of the dam, and would overtop two town roads 1 and 2 miles from the dam. The failure flood would overtop the railroad embankment by 0.7 feet causing damage to the track and the fill, resulting in possible derailment with consequent damage to rolling stock and hazard to passengers and crew. Further downstream, the failure flood would overtop the two town roads, assumed washed out by the prefailure flood, by about 2.4 feet and likely cause some damage to U.S. Route 2/7 about 2.5 miles from the dam. There would be substantial agricultural flooding along the entire course of Pond Brook. Damage to the railroad creates the potential for loss of not more than a few lives. Thus Colchester Pond Dam has been classified as a "Significant Hazard" dam.

## SECTION 5: EVALUATION OF HYDRAULIC/HYDROLOGIC FEATURES

### .1 GENERAL

The project is basically a low surcharge storage-high spillage gravity dam, originally constructed for public water supply.

The tributary watershed consists of 1.85 square miles of relatively undeveloped terrain, approximately 70% wooded and containing no significant storage other than Colchester Pond. Colchester Pond has a surface area of 182 acres constituting about 15% of the total drainage area. NGVD elevations within the watershed range from 380 feet to over 700 feet. Average watershed slope is about 9.5%, which in the absence of significant storage would be considered mountainous. Because of the relatively large pond area, however, the watershed is considered rolling for hydrologic purposes.

Adjacent to and upstream of the dam, a roadway bridge crosses the approach channel with its bottom steel about 8.6 feet above the spillway crest and its butments contacting the upstream dam face.

Hydraulics computations indicate that the dam would control the outflow at elevations below the bridge steel; at higher elevations the bridge and adjacent roadway would act as a weir controlling outflow to Pond Brook. The spillway would accommodate 100% of the routed Test Flood outflow from the dam with an average surcharge above the spillway crest of 3.75 feet. With surcharge to the top of dam, the spillway would accommodate 155% of the routed Test Flood outflow from the dam.

### .2 DESIGN DATA

No design data are known to exist for this project.

### .3 EXPERIENCE DATA

No information on serious problem situations arising at this dam was found and it does not appear that the water level has ever reached sufficient elevation to overtop the dam or create a hazard to any dam component.

### .4 TEST FLOOD ANALYSIS

The Test Flood for this significant hazard, intermediate size dam ranges from one-half of the Probable Maximum Flood (PMF) to the Probable Maximum Flood. One-half of the PMF was selected as the Test Flood since Colchester Pond Dam is at the lower end of the intermediate size classification and poses a relatively low risk to populated areas.

Peak inflow to Colchester Pond is 2000 cfs and was determined using the "Rolling" guide curve of the "Preliminary Guidance for Estimating Maximum Probable Discharge", dated March, 1978. Peak outflow is 550 cfs with the water elevation 1.25 feet below the top of dam and the initial reservoir level assumed at the crest of the spillway (el. 383.0 NGVD). Based upon hydraulics computations, the maximum spillway capacity is 850 cfs, or approximately 155% of the routed Test Flood outflow.

## SECTION 4: OPERATIONAL AND MAINTENANCE PROCEDURES

### 4.1 OPERATIONAL PROCEDURES

a. General - This dam is no longer used for water supply and no operating procedure, as such, is known to exist.

b. Warning System - No warning system is known to exist.

### 4.2 MAINTENANCE PROCEDURES

a. General - The dam receives no regular maintenance and is not visited frequently.

b. Operating Facilities - No formal plan for the maintenance of operating facilities is known to exist. The gate stands and operating handwheels appear in good condition and show no sign of misuse.

### 4.3 EVALUATION

The operation and maintenance procedures at this dam are inadequate to ensure that all problems encountered can be remedied within a reasonable period of time. The owner should establish a written operation and maintenance procedure as well as a downstream warning system to follow in the event of an emergency at the dam.

e. Downstream Channel - The channel directly below the dam is heavily wooded with steep sides and bottom as shown in Photo 10. Pond Brook flows through the wooded area from the center to the upper right of Photo 9. A 35 foot high Central Vermont Railroad embankment 2000 feet downstream, beneath which the brook passes, is also visible in this photo. The 5 foot culvert under the embankment is shown in Photo 11.

Further downstream, the brook passes under two Town roads 1 and 2 miles from the dam, and the channel banks remain primarily wooded. The upstream Town road crossing is shown in Photo 12. About 2.5 miles downstream from the dam, the brook passes under U.S. Route 2/7, receiving flow from three tributaries from there to its mouth at Lake Champlain, about 4.2 miles downstream of the dam.

### 3.2 EVALUATION

On the basis of the visual examination the dam is considered to be in good condition.

The minor leakage on the downstream face at the right abutment, if uncorrected, could develop into a future erosion problem.

The handrail around the operating platform, if allowed to deteriorate, could create a safety hazard to operating personnel.

The heavily wooded condition of the downstream channel reduces the hydraulic efficiency of the channel and could result in downstream blockages and consequent damage during flood flows.

## SECTION 3: VISUAL INSPECTION

### 3.1 FINDINGS

a. General - The visual inspection of the dam was conducted on May 6, 1980. At that time, the water level of the reservoir was about 1 inch above the spillway. The weather was sunny and mild. The general condition of the dam is good.

b. Dam - The dam is a reinforced concrete gravity structure with an operating platform at the right abutment 5 feet above the crest. The operating platform is shown in Photo 1. All visible concrete components of the dam appear in good condition.

There is a minor amount of clear leakage coming from the downstream contact of the right abutment with the ledge as shown in Photo 2.

A roadway bridge, visible in Photos 3 and 4 and in the Overview Photo, exists directly upstream from the dam with its concrete abutments immediately adjacent to the dam.

#### c. Appurtenant Structures

##### Spillway

As shown in Photo 4, the major portion of the dam consists of the 30 foot long spillway section with the 10 foot long gate structure to the right of the spillway. The spillway has an ogee crest and a downstream slope of 3 horizontal to 4 vertical. Very minor erosion of the downstream face has made the construction joints visible as shown in Photos 5 and 6. The left abutment of the upstream roadway bridge obstructs flow to a portion of the spillway as shown in Photo 7.

##### Outlet Structure

A 6 inch low level drain shown in Photo 8, exits at the bottom of the dam about a foot above the stream channel. This outlet is sufficiently low to relieve hydrostatic pressure from the dam and to facilitate dam repair, and is piped through the outlet structure. The outlet structure is equipped with two 12 inch intakes, the lowest being 1 foot above the 6 inch pipe. These serve the valved 12 inch outlet which formerly supplied the water system, and which, it is presumed, could be used as an auxiliary pond drain. The gate and valve mechanisms, so far as are visible, appear in good condition and are reported operable. The handrail around the operating platform of the outlet structure is in good condition with some minor rusting as shown in Photo 1.

d. Reservoir Area - The area surrounding the reservoir is essentially rural with a mixture of woods and open fields as shown in Photo 9. There are no indications of instability along the banks of the reservoir in the vicinity of the dam.

## SECTION 2: ENGINEERING DATA

### 2.1 DESIGN

a. Available Data - The available data consists of sheets 1 and 2 of original contract drawings by Whitman and Howard, Inc., Engineers, dated March, 1960.

b. Design Features - The drawings, computations and inspection reports indicate the design features stated in Section 1.

c. Design Data - Design data consists of information on the two contract drawings by Whitman and Howard as listed in "Available Data".

### 2.2 CONSTRUCTION

a. Available Data - Information as contained in any plans, drawings, or specifications previously listed in "Design Data" or Appendix B.

b. Construction Considerations - Some variations were noted in the dam as built compared to the original contract drawings. The original plans provided for the gate structure to be near the center of the dam and to be served by a steel service bridge from the left abutment. This gate structure was moved to the right abutment to take advantage of a ledge projection and to eliminate the service bridge. The crest of the spillway was raised to elevation 383.0 rather than elevation 380.0 shown on the original contract drawings.

### 2.3 OPERATION

Pond level readings are not taken on any regular schedule. This dam and reservoir are not currently being used for water supply and no formal operating procedures are known to exist.

### 2.4 EVALUATION

a. Availability - Existing data was provided by the State of Vermont Agency of Environmental Conservation, and Colchester Fire District No. 3 (the owner).

b. Adequacy - Detailed hydrologic/hydraulic data were not available. Design data and field measurements were utilized in conjunction with New England Division - Army Corps of Engineers "Preliminary Guidance for Estimating Maximum Probable Discharges" to perform the computations of outflow capacity.

The detailed engineering data required to perform an in-depth stability analysis of the dam was not available. The final assessment of the dam, therefore, must be based primarily on visual inspection, performance history, and spillway capacity computations.

c. Validity - A comparison of records, data, and visual observations reveals no significant discrepancies, other than those noted above between design and as-built dimensions.

j. Regulating Outlets

1. Invert:	366.75
2. Size:	6 inch diameter
3. Description:	Cast iron waste pipe discharging to downstream channel
4. Control mechanism:	Gate operated by hand-wheel at control structure
5. Other:	12 inch increasing to 16 inch gated cast iron water supply pipe discharging to chlorination station - not currently in use

4.	Test flood pool:	182 $\pm$ acres
5.	Top of dam:	182 acres
g.	<u>Dam</u>	
1.	Type:	concrete gravity
2.	Length:	40 $\pm$ ft
3.	Height:	25 $\pm$ ft
4.	Top Width:	2.5 $\pm$ ft
5.	Side Slopes:	3H to 4V D/S Vertical U/S
6.	Zoning:	N/A
7.	Impervious core:	N/A
8.	Cutoff:	N/A
9.	Grout curtain:	N/A
10.	Other:	N/A
h.	<u>Diversion and Regulating Tunnel</u>	N/A
i.	<u>Spillway</u>	
1.	Type:	concrete ogee
2.	Length of weir:	30 $\pm$ ft
3.	Crest elevation:	383.0
4.	Gates:	N/A
5.	Upstream channel:	31 ft span between bridge abutments
6.	Downstream channel:	original streambed
7.	General:	9 feet of spillway ineffective - located behind bridge abutment

c. Elevation (Feet, NGVD)

1. Streambed at toe of dam:	363 ±
2. Bottom of cutoff:	N/A
3. Maximum tailwater:	366.8 ±
4. Recreation pool:	N/A
5. Full flood control pool:	N/A
6. Spillway crest (ungated):	383.0
7. Design surcharge:	N/A
8. Top of dam:	388.0
9. Test flood surcharge:	386.75

d. Reservoir

1. Length of normal pool:	5500 ft
2. Length of flood control pool:	N/A
3. Length of spillway crest pool:	5500 ft
4. Length of pool at top of dam:	5500 ft
5. Length of test flood pool:	5500 ft

e. Storage

1. Normal pool:	2350 acre-ft
2. Flood control pool:	N/A
3. Spillway crest pool:	2350 acre-ft
4. Top of dam:	3260 acre-ft
5. Test flood pool:	3030 acre-ft

f. Reservoir Surface

1. Normal pool:	182 acres
2. Flood control pool:	N/A
3. Spillway crest:	182 acres

i. Normal Operational Procedures - All gates in the outlet structure are normally tightly closed and locked and all four hand-wheels are reported operable. There are no regular operational procedures other than occasional checking.

### 1.3 PERTINENT DATA

a. Drainage Area - 1.82 square miles of moderately steep, relatively undeveloped terrain which is about 30% open and 70% wooded.

b. Discharge at Dam Site - Discharge is over the spillway and through two gated cast iron outlet pipes. One is a 6 inch low level drain and the other a 12 inch water supply conduit which increases to 16 inches just downstream of the dam. Elevations are in feet referenced to NGVD datum.

1. Outlet works (conduits) capacity  
at top of dam el. 388.0:

One 6" cast iron pipe @ invert el. 366.75	<u>2±</u> cfs
--	---------------

One 12" increasing to 16" cast iron pipe @ invert el. 367.0	N/A
---	-----

2. Maximum known flood at damsite: N/A

3. Ungated spillway capacity  
at top of dam el. 388.0: 850± cfs

4. Ungated spillway capacity  
at test flood el. 386.75: 550± cfs

5. Gated spillway capacity  
at normal pool el. 383.0: N/A

6. Gated spillway capacity  
at test flood el. 386.75: N/A

7. Total spillway capacity  
at test flood el. 386.75: 550± cfs

8. Total project discharge  
at top of dam el. 388.0: 852± cfs

9. Total project discharge  
at test flood el. 386.75: 552± cfs

6 inch diameter valved low level drain with a center line elevation of 367.5. All three inlets are equipped with trashracks and screens. As the dam is no longer used for water supply, the 12" diameter valved outlet which originally fed the water system remains permanently closed. Access to the handwheel gate controls is via the right embankment.

Elevations are in feet referenced to NGVD datum.

No instrumentation exists at this dam.

c. Size Classification - INTERMEDIATE - The dam impounds approximately 3260 acre-feet with the pond level at the top of the dam, which at elevation 388 is 25 feet above the streambed. According to the Recommended Guidelines, the dam is classified as intermediate in size since its impoundment is between 1,000 and 50,000 acre-feet.

d. Hazard Classification - SIGNIFICANT - If the dam were to be breached, there is potential for considerable downstream damage and loss of no more than a few lives. The Central Vermont Railroad tracks cross Pond Brook on a 35 foot high embankment about 2000 feet downstream of the dam. This embankment would be overtopped by about 0.7 feet resulting in damage to the track and a possible serious derailment. Considerable flooding of agricultural land, both upstream and downstream of the railroad embankment, would ensue. Two town roads, 1 and 2 miles downstream of the dam, presumably washed out by the pre-failure flow because of the relatively small bridges under them, would receive further damage from the approximate 5 foot submergence resulting from the breach. U.S. Route 7, about 2.5 miles downstream of the dam, would likely receive relatively minor damage.

e. Ownership - Colchester Fire District #3  
Colchester, Vermont 05446  
(802) 658-6616

The dam was built for its present owner.

f. Operator - Clifford Morrie  
1 Wintergreen Drive  
Colchester, Vermont 03446  
Home (802) 879-0969  
Office (802) 655-0813

g. Purpose of Dam - The dam was originally constructed for water supply and was used as such for 12 years. The area is now served by the Champlain Water District. As there is no public access to the pond, except at the dam site, recreational use is minimal. Except for maintenance of pond level for local asthetic purposes, the dam now serves no function.

h. Design and Construction History - The following information is believed to be accurate based upon available plans and correspondence and conversations with persons familiar with the history of the dam. The dam was designed in 1960 by Whitman and Howard Engineers, Inc. for Fire District No. 3, Colchester, Vermont. A public hearing as required by the state was held on May 19, 1960 and a Hearing Order was issued on July 15, 1960, allowing the project to proceed to construction. The dam was completed in 1965.

PHASE I INSPECTION REPORT  
COLCHESTER POND DAM  
SECTION 1 - PROJECT INFORMATION

1.1 GENERAL

a. Authority - Public Law 92-367, August 8, 1972, authorized the Secretary of the Army, through the Corps of Engineers, to initiate a National Program of Dam Inspection throughout the United States. The New England Division of the Corps of Engineers has been assigned the responsibility of supervising the inspection of dams within the New England Region. James W. Sewall Company has been retained by the New England Division to inspect and report on selected dams in the State of Vermont. Authorization and notice to proceed were issued to James W. Sewall Company under a letter of April 2, 1980 from William E. Hodgson, Jr., Colonel, Corps of Engineers. Contract No. DACW 33-80-C-0051 has been assigned by the Corps of Engineers for this work.

b. Purpose of Inspection Program - The purposes of the program are to:

1. Perform technical inspection and evaluation of non-federal dams to identify conditions requiring correction in a timely manner by non-federal interests.
2. Encourage and prepare the States to quickly initiate effective dam inspection programs for non-federal dams.
3. To update, verify and complete the National Inventory of Dams.

1.2 DESCRIPTION OF PROJECT

a. Location - The dam is located on the headwaters of Pond Brook about 4.2 miles upstream from Lake Champlain in a rural area of the Town of Colchester, County of Chittenden, State of Vermont. The dam is shown on the Colchester, VT. USGS Quadrangle Map having coordinates latitude N 44°-32.9' and longitude W 73°-07.5'. The dam is also known as Pond Brook Reservoir Dam.

b. Description of Dam and Appurtenances - The dam, completed in 1965, is a concrete gravity structure built on exposed bedrock, having a total length of 40 feet. This includes a 30 foot long spillway section on the left of the dam and a 10 foot long gate structure on the right.

The ogee crest spillway has a top elevation of approximately 383 and a downstream slope of 3 horizontal to 4 vertical. Immediately upstream of the dam is a roadway bridge with a 31 foot span. The left bridge abutment blocks any direct flow to the leftmost 9 feet of the spillway section.

The gate structure has a top elevation of approximately 388, a maximum of 25 feet in height above the streambed. The structure has two gated inlet ports, 12 inches in diameter with center line elevations of 370 and 377. There is a

## COLCHESTER POND DAM

LOCATION MAP  
VERMONT

USGS QUADRANGLE  
LAKE CHAMPLAIN N.Y. 1962  
SCALE 1:250,000

SCALE 1:250,000



OVERVIEW PHOTO

U.S. ARMY ENGINEER DIV. NEW ENGLAND CORPS OF ENGINEERS WALTHAM, MASSACHUSETTS	NATIONAL PROGRAM OF INSPECTION OF NON-FED. DAMS	Colchester Pond Dam - VT 00056 Colchester, Vermont May 6, 1980
JAMES W. SEWALL COMPANY CONSULTANTS CLOUD TOWN, MAINE		

## SECTION 6: EVALUATION OF STRUCTURAL STABILITY

### 6.1 VISUAL OBSERVATIONS

Visual inspection did not disclose any immediate stability problems. The minor seepage observed at the contact of the concrete dam and bedrock on the right abutment does not indicate immediate stability problems.

### 6.2 DESIGN AND CONSTRUCTION DATA

No original design and construction data are available for this dam.

### 6.3 POST CONSTRUCTION CHANGES

There is no record of post construction changes.

### 6.4 SEISMIC STABILITY

The dam is located in Seismic Zone 2, and in accordance with the recommended Phase 1 guidelines does not warrant seismic investigation.

## SECTION 7: ASSESSMENT, RECOMMENDATIONS AND REMEDIAL MEASURES

### 7.1 DAM ASSESSMENT

- a. Condition - Based upon the visual inspection, the dam is judged to be in good condition.
- b. Adequacy of Information - Due to the lack of design and construction data for this dam, the assessment of safety is based on the visual inspection.
- c. Urgency - Except as noted, the remedial measures and recommendations presented below should be implemented by the owner within two years after receipt of this Phase I Inspection Report.

### 7.2 RECOMMENDATIONS

The owner should engage a qualified registered engineer to assess the necessity and means to stop the seepage at the right abutment.

The owner should implement all recommendations by the engineer.

### 7.3 REMEDIAL MEASURES

- a. A program of biennial technical inspection, with repairs as necessary, should be instituted by the owner.
- b. A formal downstream warning system to be implemented in the event of an emergency at the dam should be developed by the owner within one year of the receipt of this report by the owner.
- c. A formal program of operation and maintenance procedures should be instituted and fully documented to provide accurate records for future reference.
- d. The owner should arrange for the removal of trees from the downstream channel within 50 feet of the dam toe.
- e. The handrail around the operating platform should be painted and maintained.

### 7.4 ALTERNATIVES

Removal of this dam may be a practical alternative to the above recommendations.

APPENDIX A  
VISUAL CHECK LIST WITH COMMENTS

VISUAL INSPECTION CHECKLIST  
PARTY ORGANIZATION

PROJECT Calcasieu River Dam

DATE May 6, 1980

TIME 11:19 AM

WEATHER Fair

W.S. ELEV. \_\_\_\_\_ U.S. \_\_\_\_\_ DN.S. \_\_\_\_\_

PARTY:

1. Stephen D. Miller S.D.M. 6. \_\_\_\_\_
2. Walter J. Johnson P.L. 7. \_\_\_\_\_
3. James A. Tracy C.P.T. 8. \_\_\_\_\_
4. Donald P. LaGatta D.P.L. 9. \_\_\_\_\_
5. \_\_\_\_\_ 10. \_\_\_\_\_

PROJECT FEATURE	INSPECTED BY	REMARKS
1. <u>Dam</u>	<u>S.D.M., P.L., C.P.T.</u>	<u>SDM, P.L., C.P.T.</u>
2. <u>Gate Structure</u>	<u>S.D.M., P.L., C.P.T.</u>	<u>S.D.M., P.L., C.P.T.</u>
3. <u>Outlet Channel</u>	<u>S.D.M., P.L., C.P.T.</u>	<u>S.D.M., P.L., C.P.T.</u>
4. <u>Outlet Channel</u>	<u>S.D.M., P.L., C.P.T.</u>	<u>S.D.M., P.L., C.P.T.</u>
5. <u>Supply, Water, Service Lines</u>	<u>S.D.M., P.L., C.P.T., D.P.L.</u>	<u>S.D.M., P.L., C.P.T., D.P.L.</u>
6. _____	_____	_____
7. _____	_____	_____
8. _____	_____	_____
9. _____	_____	_____
10. _____	_____	_____

PROJECT Reid Lake Dam DATE 10.6.85  
 PROJECT FEATURE Concrete Dam NAME S.D.M. A.P.L.  
 DISCIPLINE Geotechnical Engineering NAME S.A.M. L.P.L.

AREA EVALUATED	CONDITION
<b>DAM EMBANKMENT</b>	
Crest Elevation 323.0 NGVD	
Current Pool Elevation 323.0 NGVD	
Maximum Impoundment to Date	
Surface Cracks	There are a few minor surface cracks.
Pavement Condition	Good
Movement or Settlement of Crest	None observed
Lateral Movement	None observed
Vertical Alignment	Good
Horizontal Alignment	Good
Condition at Abutment and at Concrete Structures	There is a small amount of seepage within at the intersection of the downstream face and the rock abutment on the right.
Indications of Movement of Structural Items on Slopes	None observed
Trespassing on Slopes	No
Sloughing or Erosion of Slopes or Abutments	N/A
Rock Slope Protection - Riprap Failures	N/A
Unusual Movement or Cracking at or Near Toe	None observed
Unusual Embankment or Downstream Seepage	N/A
Piping or Boils	N/A
Foundation Drainage Features	None
Toe Drains	N/A
Instrumentation System	N/A
Vegetation	Good

## PERIODIC INSPECTION CHECKLIST

PROJECT Beaver Creek DamDATE 10/15/85

PROJECT FEATURE

NAME John C. MillerDISCIPLINE Engineering Services  
Geotechnical Engineers Inc.NAME John C. Miller

AREA EVALUATED	CONDITION
<b>DIKE EMBANKMENT</b> Crest Elevation Current Pool Elevation Maximum Impoundment to Date Surface Cracks Pavement Condition Movement or Settlement of Crest Lateral Movement Vertical Alignment Horizontal Alignment Condition at Abutment and at Concrete Structures Indications of Movement of Structural Items on Slopes Trespassing on Slopes Sloughing or Erosion of Slopes or Abutments Rock Slope Protection - Riprap Failures Unusual Movement or Cracking at or Near Toes Unusual Embankment or Downstream Seepage Piping or Boils Foundation Drainage Features Toe Drains Instrumentation System Vegetation	There is no dike on this project.

PROJECT 1000 ft. DamDATE 11/3/82PROJECT FEATURE IntakeNAME John DoeDISCIPLINE Geotechnical EngineeringNAME John Doe

AREA EVALUATED	CONDITION
<u>OUTLET WORKS - INTAKE CHANNEL AND INTAKE STRUCTURE</u>	
a. Approach Channel	
Slope Conditions	No approach channel. Intake is above water surface.
Bottom Conditions	
Rock Slides or Falls	
Log Boom	
Debris	
Condition of Concrete Lining	
Drains or Weep Holes	
b. Intake Structure	
Condition of Concrete	
Stop Logs and Slots	

PROJECT Calcasieu River 22DATE 10/16/1987PROJECT FEATURE GATE STRUCTURENAME John M. HaganDISCIPLINE Structural EngineerNAME C.A.H. D.P.L.Geotechnical Engineer

AREA EVALUATED	CONDITION
<u>OUTLET WORKS - CONTROL TOWER</u>	
a. Concrete and Structural	
General Condition	Good
Condition of Joints	Good
Spalling	None
Visible Reinforcing	None
Rusting or Staining of Concrete	Minor rust stains
Any Seepage or Efflorescence	None, see Sheet A-2
Joint Alignment	N. A.
Unusual Seepage or Leaks in Gate Chamber	No
Cracks	None
Rusting or Corrosion of Steel	Minor rust on railing.
b. Mechanical and Electrical	
Air Vents	N. A.
Float Wells	N. A.
Crane Hoist	N. A.
Elevator	N. A.
Hydraulic System	N. A.
Service Gates	Good
Emergency Gates	Good
Lightning Protection System	N. A.
Emergency Power System	N. A.
Wiring and Lighting System	N. A.

PROJECT Cooper River Dam DATE July 2, 1981  
 PROJECT FEATURE Outlet Conduit NAME John L. Johnson  
 DISCIPLINE Concrete Inspection NAME John L. Johnson  
and Records - July, 1981

AREA EVALUATED	CONDITION
<u>OUTLET WORKS - TRANSITION AND CONDUIT</u>	
General Condition of Concrete	
Rust or Staining on Concrete	
Spalling	
Erosion or Cavitation	
Cracking	
Alignment of Monoliths	
Alignment of Joints	
Numbering of Monoliths	<p>There is a 6 inch waste pipe from the downstream face of the dam and a 12 inch discharge pipe for water supply which is not being used.</p>

PROJECT 2000 Top 100DATE 11/16/1970PROJECT FEATURE 2000 Top 100NAME John D. MillerDISCIPLINE Concrete StructuresNAME John D. MillerGeo-Spatial Engineers Inc.

AREA EVALUATED	CONDITION
<u>OUTLET WORKS - OUTLET STRUCTURE AND OUTLET CHANNEL</u>	<u>General condition is fair.</u>
General Condition of Concrete	
Rust or Staining	
Spalling	
Erosion or Cavitation	
Visible Reinforcing	
Any Seepage or Efflorescence	
Condition at Joints	
Drain holes	
Channel	<u>Channel is original streambed.</u>
Loose Rock or Trees Overhanging Channel	<u>Channel banks are very steep and have many overhanging trees.</u>
Condition of Discharge Channel	<u>General condition is poor.</u>

## PERIODIC INSPECTION CHECKLIST

PROJECT Colossal Dam DATE May 6, 1970  
 PROJECT FEATURE Approach Channel NAME John Miller  
 DISCIPLINE Structural Engineer NAME J. Miller, P.E.  
Geotechnical Engineer Inc.

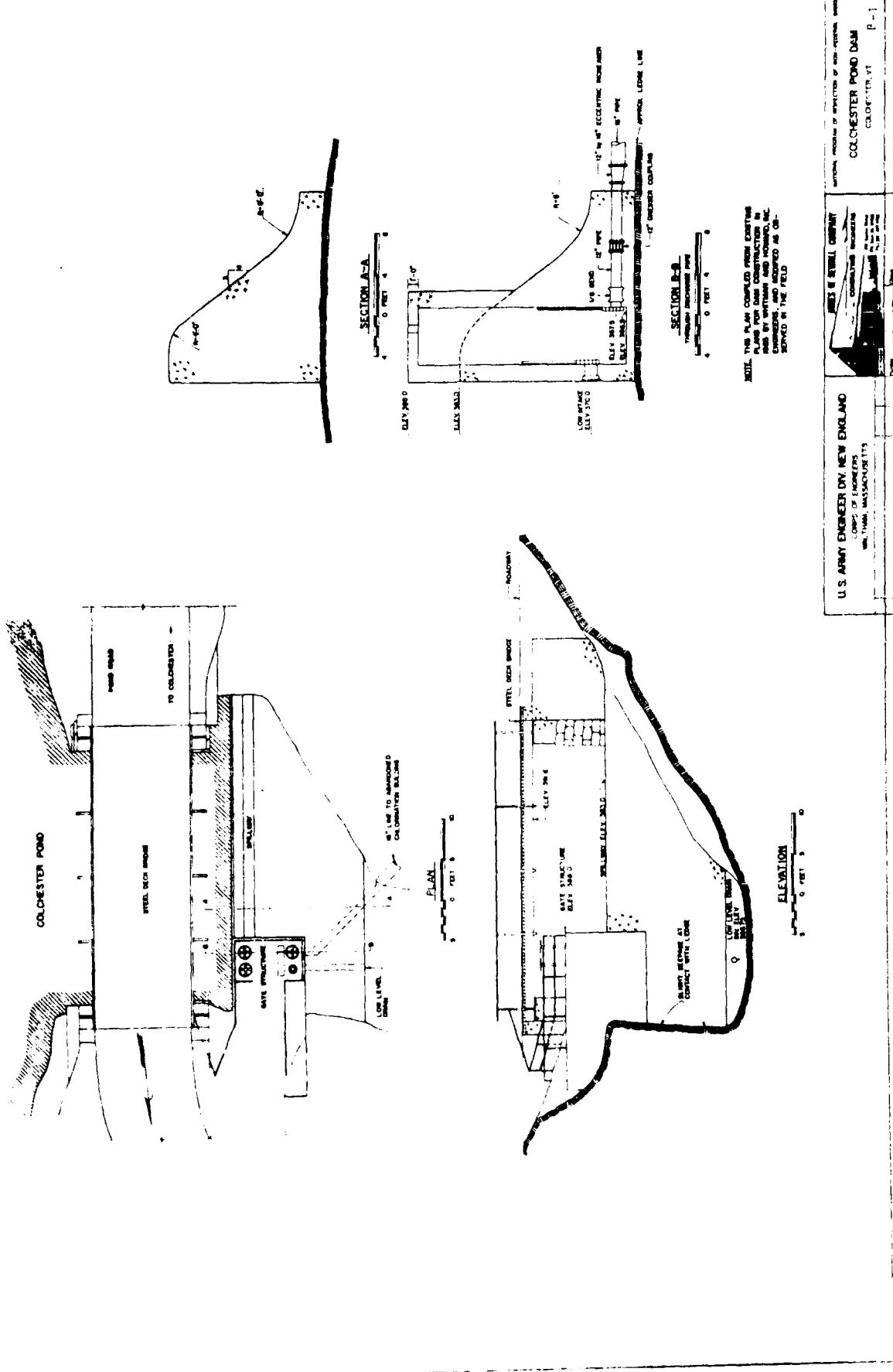
AREA EVALUATED	CONDITION
<u>OUTLET WORKS - SPILLWAY WEIR, APPROACH AND DISCHARGE CHANNELS</u>	
a. Approach Channel	
General Condition	
Loose Rock Overhanging Channel	
Trees Overhanging Channel	
Floor of Approach Channel	
b. Weir and Training Walls	
General Condition of Concrete	
Rust or Staining	
Spalling	
Any Visible Reinforcing	
Any Seepage or Efflorescence	
Drain Holes	
c. Discharge Channel	
General Condition	
Loose Rock Overhanging Channel	
Trees Overhanging Channel	
Floor of Channel	
Other Obstructions	

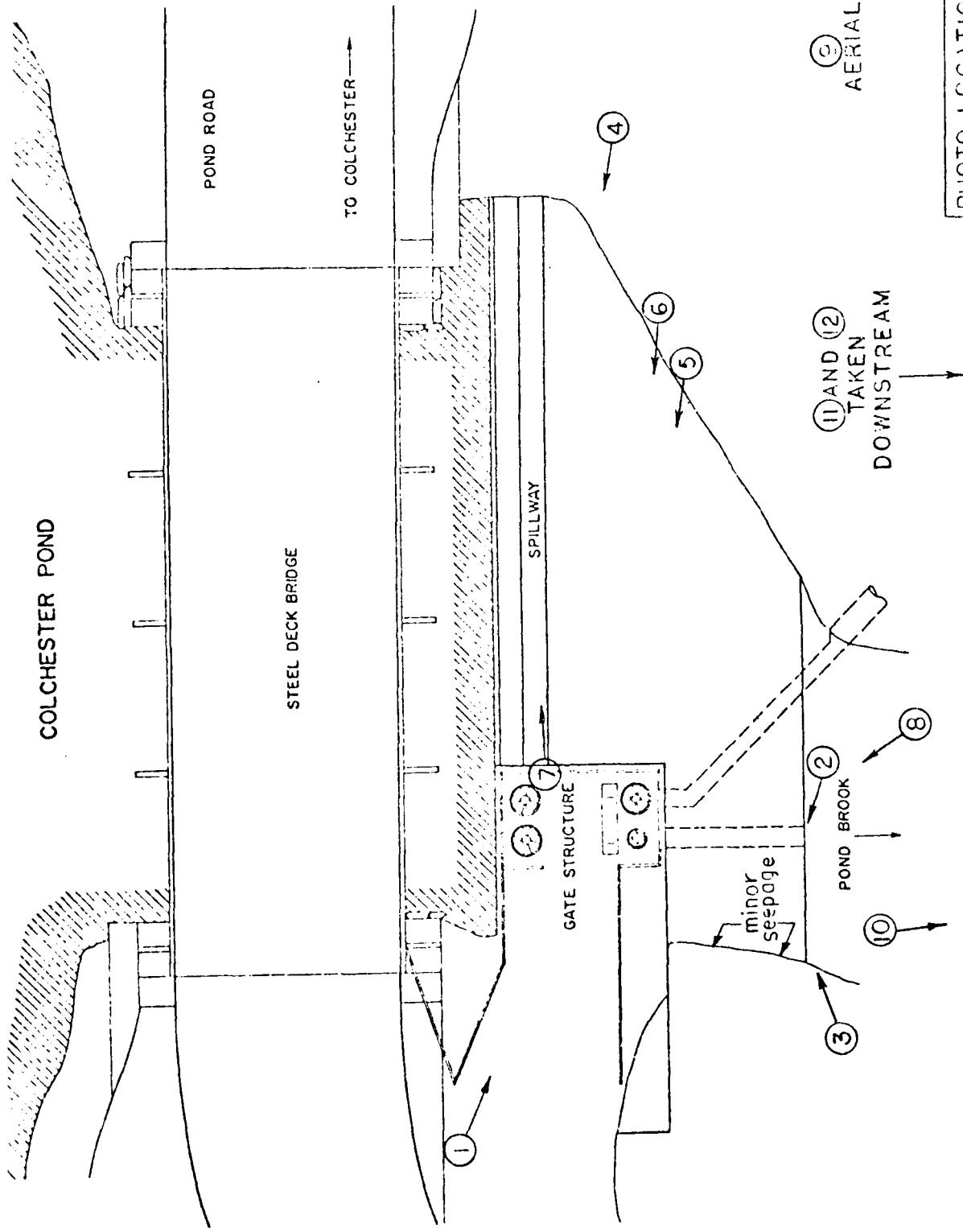
OBJECT Coconino River Bridge DATE May 6, 1972OBJECT FEATURE \_\_\_\_\_ NAME John C. MillerDISCIPLINE Structural NAME John C. Miller

Organization, Engineers Inc.

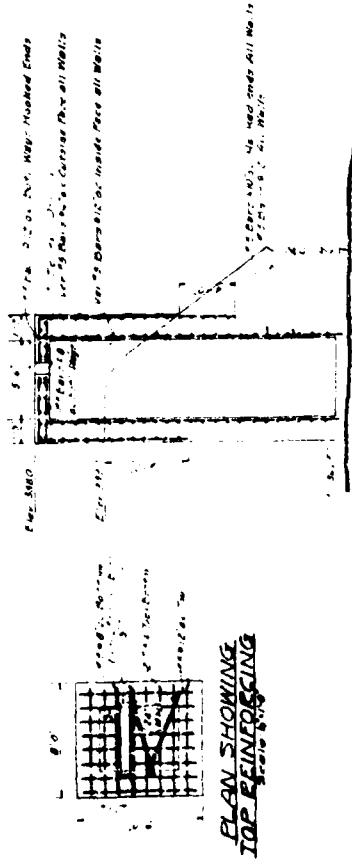
AREA EVALUATED	CONDITION
JETLET WORKS - SERVICE BRIDGE	There is no bridge in place.
Super Structure	
Bearings	
Anchor Bolts	
Bridge Seat	
Longitudinal Members	
Underside of Deck	
Secondary Bracing	
Deck	
Drainage System	
Railings	
Expansion Joints	
Paint	
Abutment & Piers	
General Condition of Concrete	
Alignment of Abutment	
Approach to Bridge	
Condition of Seat & Backwall	

APPENDIX B  
ENGINEERING DATA

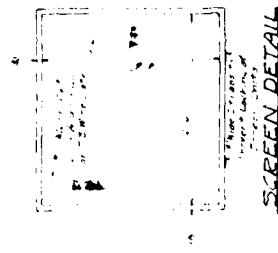




APPENDIX C  
DETAIL PHOTOGRAPHS



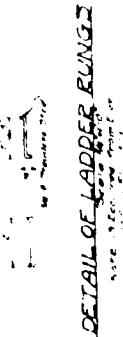
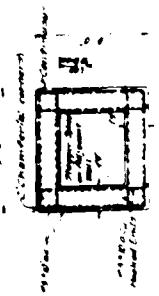
SECTION THRU GATE STRUCTURE  
SHOWING REINFORCING

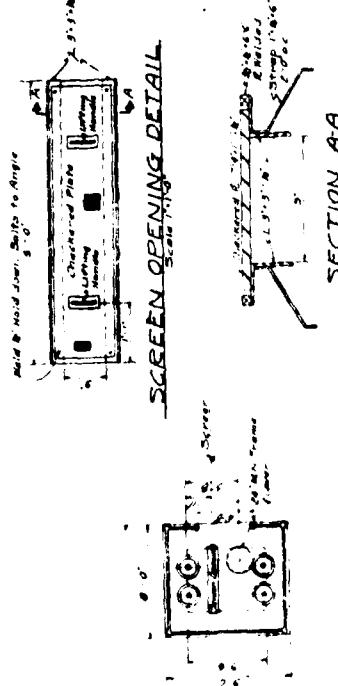


NOT TO SCALE

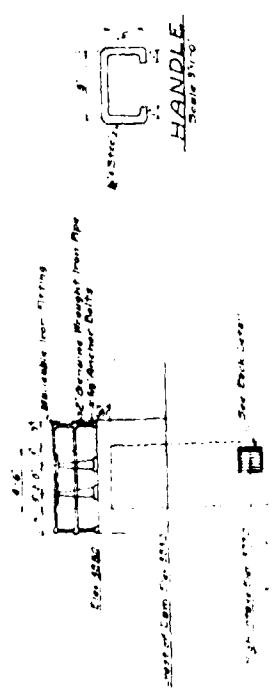
STEEL DETAILS OF DAM  
POND BROOK RESERVOIR  
PRESTRESSED  
COLCHESTER VT

WHITMAN & HOWARD, INC.  
ENGINEERS

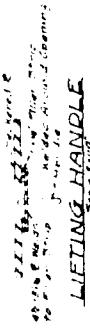




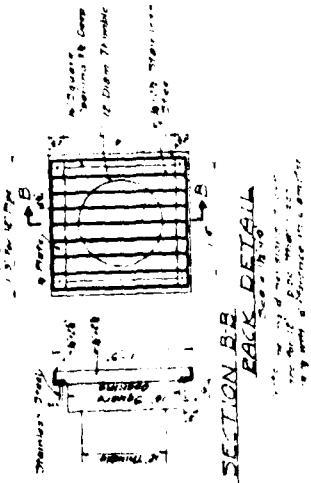
## SCREEN OPENING DETAIL



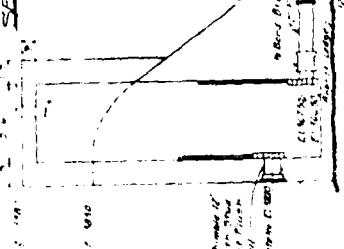
SECTION A-A



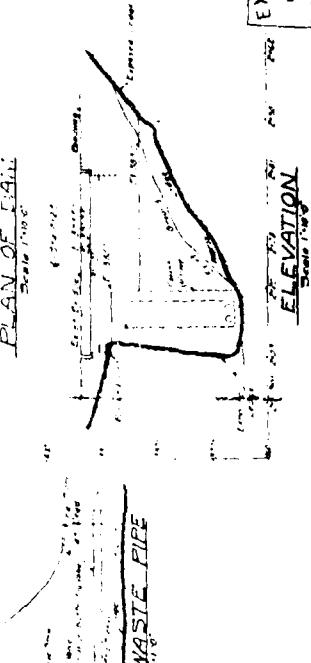
## GRATE STRUCTURE



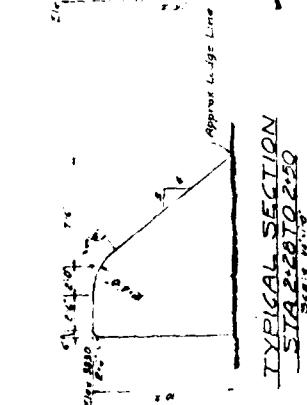
**SECTION B-B  
BACK DETAIL**



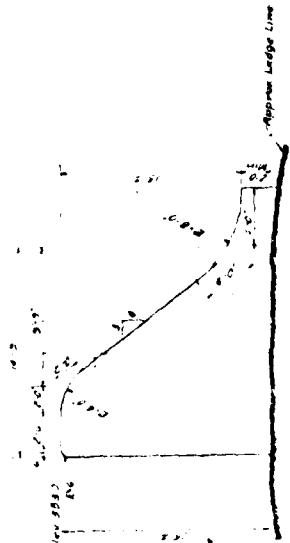
## SECTION IN THE WASTE PIPE



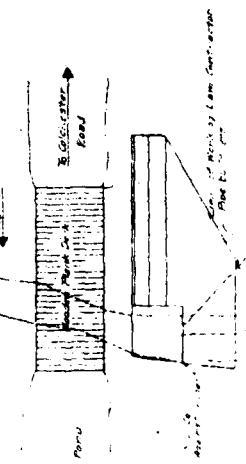
TYPIICAL SECTION STA 2.00 TO 2.20



TYPICAL SECTION  
STA 2:28 TO 2:50



Apparatus ledger 219



## DETAIL OF CONSTRUCTION



NOT TO SCALE



**DETAILS OF DAM  
FOND BROOK RESERVOIR  
FIRE DEPARTMENT  
COLCHESTER, VT**



1

The concrete in the dam shall have a minimum compressive strength of 2,000 pounds per square inch, and in the gate structure of 3,000 pounds.

The maximum slump shall be 2-1/2 inches.

Test cylinders will be tested for compressive strength in accordance with ASTM "39.

All concrete shall be deposited by means of a concrete bucket. Use of chutes will not be permitted.

The maximum height of any pour shall be 5 feet. A delay of five days in pouring a adjacent monoliths.

One vertical construction joint will be required as shown on the drawings. The Contractor is to drill holes for grouting as directed by the Engineers. Grout pipes to extend one foot into ledge and through form so grouting may be done after lower sections of dam have been poured.

## 1. Reservoir Clearing

The reservoir site shall be cleared of all trees, brush and bushes to within 6-inches of the ground. These materials, along with all slash, are to be disposed of by burning.

The proposed flow line of the reservoir is elevation 380.0. The limit of clearing shall be elevation 381.0 with a minimum distance of 10 feet horizontally from the flow line.

## 2. Stripping

All overburden at the dam site including loose or partially loose or seamy ledge that can be removed with bars, picks, paving breakers, etc. shall be removed and the solid ledge thoroughly cleaned with compressed air and water. The ledge foundation shall be approved by the Engineers a minimum of 12 hours before commencement of concrete operations.

## 3. Miscellaneous Metals

*Footbridge eliminated in revised plans*  
The footbridge beams shall be standard 6-inch-wide-flange beams.

The floor shall be type M 1"x 3/16" galvanized bars - subway grating.

The pipe rail fence shall be 2-inch standard genuine wrought iron.

The ladder rungs shall be stainless steel.

The intake racks shall be of stainless steel.

The fine screen shall be either stainless steel or aluminum.

## 4. Sluice Gates

The sluice gates shall be cast iron, bronze mounted Rodney Hunt or equal. The floor stands shall have Timken bearings. The stems shall be steel with threaded sections of bronze.

## 5. Concrete

The cement shall be a Portland cement, meeting all the requirements of the latest revision ASTM-C 150 and shall be Type II.

Air entraining agent shall be used. The maximum percent of air entraining shall be 3 percent by volume.

SPECIFICATION FOR  
CONSTRUCTING STORAGE RESERVOIR AND DAM  
WIRE DISTRICT NO. 3  
COLCHESTER, VERMONT

WHITMAN & HOWARD, INC.  
ENGINEERS  
89 Broad Street  
Boston, Mass.

MARCH, 1960

# WHITMAN & HOWARD, INC.

EST. 1869 • INC 1924

CONSULTING ENGINEERS • PLANNERS

CHANNING HOWARD (1867-1958)

PAUL F. HOWARD  
EDWIN M. HOWARD  
C. ROGER PEARSON  
C. R. WICKERSON  
J. M. PITTELL REICH

89 Broad Street, Room 514 • Boston 10, Massachusetts

Hancock 6-1633

March 17, 1960

Mr. Reinhold W. Thieme  
Commission of Water Resources  
Water Conservation Board  
Montpelier, Vermont

Dear Mr. Thieme:

We are enclosing two sets of plans and specifications for the proposed dam for Colchester Fire District No. 3. The District is sending you the application and copy of letter to the Selectmen.

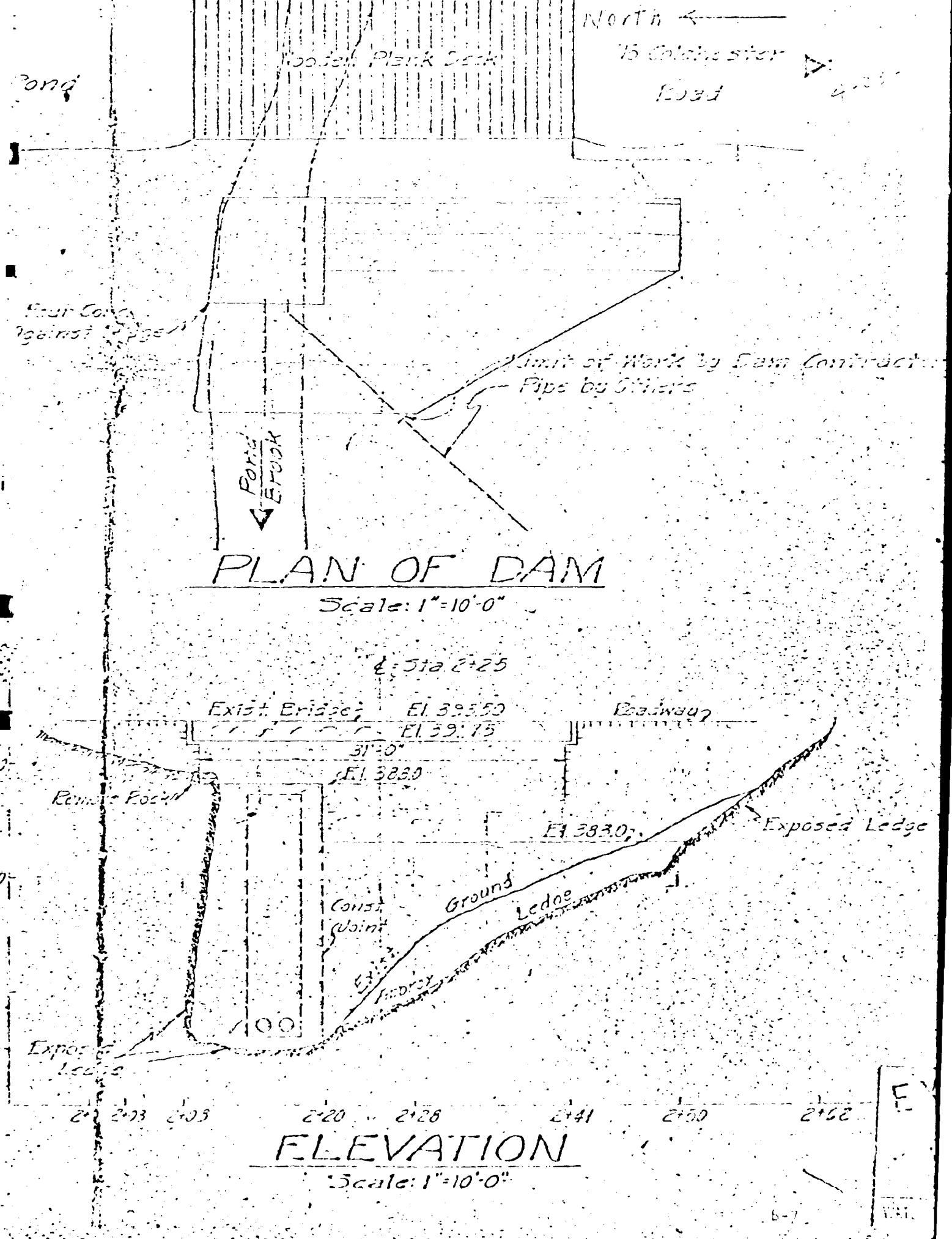
Yours very truly,

WHITMAN & HOWARD, INC.

By George L. Lakin

c/c Mr. A. Grant Kennedy, Chairman  
Prudential Committee  
Fire District No. 3  
Colchester, Vermont

ROUTING	
1	2
3	4
5	6
7	8
9	10
11	12
13	14
15	16
17	18
19	20
21	22
23	24
25	26
27	28
29	30
31	32
33	34
35	36
37	38
39	40
41	42
43	44
45	46
47	48
49	50
51	52
53	54
55	56
57	58
59	60
61	62
63	64
65	66
67	68
69	70
71	72
73	74
75	76
77	78
79	80
81	82
83	84
85	86
87	88
89	90
91	92
93	94
95	96
97	98
99	100
101	102
103	104
105	106
107	108
109	110
111	112
113	114
115	116
117	118
119	120
121	122
123	124
125	126
127	128
129	130
131	132
133	134
135	136
137	138
139	140
141	142
143	144
145	146
147	148
149	150
151	152
153	154
155	156
157	158
159	160
161	162
163	164
165	166
167	168
169	170
171	172
173	174
175	176
177	178
179	180
181	182
183	184
185	186
187	188
189	190
191	192
193	194
195	196
197	198
199	200
201	202
203	204
205	206
207	208
209	210
211	212
213	214
215	216
217	218
219	220
221	222
223	224
225	226
227	228
229	230
231	232
233	234
235	236
237	238
239	240
241	242
243	244
245	246
247	248
249	250
251	252
253	254
255	256
257	258
259	260
261	262
263	264
265	266
267	268
269	270
271	272
273	274
275	276
277	278
279	280
281	282
283	284
285	286
287	288
289	290
291	292
293	294
295	296
297	298
299	300
301	302
303	304
305	306
307	308
309	310
311	312
313	314
315	316
317	318
319	320
321	322
323	324
325	326
327	328
329	330
331	332
333	334
335	336
337	338
339	340
341	342
343	344
345	346
347	348
349	350
351	352
353	354
355	356
357	358
359	360
361	362
363	364
365	366
367	368
369	370
371	372
373	374
375	376
377	378
379	380
381	382
383	384
385	386
387	388
389	390
391	392
393	394
395	396
397	398
399	400
401	402
403	404
405	406
407	408
409	410
411	412
413	414
415	416
417	418
419	420
421	422
423	424
425	426
427	428
429	4210
4211	4212
4213	4214
4215	4216
4217	4218
4219	4220
4221	4222
4223	4224
4225	4226
4227	4228
4229	42210
42211	42212
42213	42214
42215	42216
42217	42218
42219	42220
42221	42222
42223	42224
42225	42226
42227	42228
42229	422210
422211	422212
422213	422214
422215	422216
422217	422218
422219	422220
422221	422222
422223	422224
422225	422226
422227	422228
422229	4222210
4222211	4222212
4222213	4222214
4222215	4222216
4222217	4222218
4222219	4222220
4222221	4222222
4222223	4222224
4222225	4222226
4222227	4222228
4222229	42222210
42222211	42222212
42222213	42222214
42222215	42222216
42222217	42222218
42222219	42222220
42222221	42222222
42222223	42222224
42222225	42222226
42222227	42222228
42222229	422222210
422222211	422222212
422222213	422222214
422222215	422222216
422222217	422222218
422222219	422222220
422222221	422222222
422222223	422222224
422222225	422222226
422222227	422222228
422222229	4222222210
4222222211	4222222212
4222222213	4222222214
4222222215	4222222216
4222222217	4222222218
4222222219	4222222220
4222222221	4222222222
4222222223	4222222224
4222222225	4222222226
4222222227	4222222228
4222222229	42222222210
42222222211	42222222212
42222222213	42222222214
42222222215	42222222216
42222222217	42222222218
42222222219	42222222220
42222222221	42222222222
42222222223	42222222224
42222222225	42222222226
42222222227	42222222228
42222222229	422222222210
422222222211	422222222212
422222222213	422222222214
422222222215	422222222216
422222222217	422222222218
422222222219	422222222220
422222222221	422222222222
422222222223	422222222224
422222222225	422222222226
422222222227	422222222228
422222222229	4222222222210
4222222222211	4222222222212
4222222222213	4222222222214
4222222222215	4222222222216
4222222222217	4222222222218
4222222222219	4222222222220
4222222222221	4222222222222
4222222222223	4222222222224
4222222222225	4222222222226
4222222222227	4222222222228
4222222222229	42222222222210
42222222222211	42222222222212
42222222222213	42222222222214
42222222222215	42222222222216
42222222222217	42222222222218
42222222222219	42222222222220
42222222222221	42222222222222
42222222222223	42222222222224
42222222222225	42222222222226
42222222222227	42222222222228
42222222222229	422222222222210
422222222222211	422222222222212
422222222222213	422222222222214
422222222222215	422222222222216
422222222222217	422222222222218
422222222222219	422222222222220
422222222222221	422222222222222
422222222222223	422222222222224
422222222222225	422222222222226
422222222222227	422222222222228
422222222222229	4222222222222210
4222222222222211	4222222222222212
4222222222222213	4222222222222214
4222222222222215	4222222222222216
4222222222222217	4222222222222218
4222222222222219	4222222222222220
4222222222222221	4222222222222222
4222222222222223	4222222222222224
4222222222222225	4222222222222226
4222222222222227	4222222222222228
4222222222222229	42222222222222210
42222222222222211	42222222222222212
42222222222222213	42222222222222214
42222222222222215	42222222222222216
42222222222222217	42222222222222218
42222222222222219	42222222222222220
42222222222222221	42222222222222222
42222222222222223	42222222222222224
42222222222222225	42222222222222226
42222222222222227	42222222222222228
42222222222222229	422222222222222210
422222222222222211	422222222222222212
422222222222222213	422222222222222214
422222222222222215	422222222222222216
422222222222222217	422222222222222218
422222222222222219	422222222222222220
422222222222222221	422222222222222222
422222222222222223	422222222222222224
422222222222222225	422222222222222226
422222222222222227	422222222222222228
422222222222222229	4222222222222222210
4222222222222222211	4222222222222222212
4222222222222222213	4222222222222222214
4222222222222222215	4222222222222222216
4222222222222222217	4222222222222222218
4222222222222222219	4222222222222222220
4222222222222222221	4222222222222222222
4222222222222222223	4222222222222222224
4222222222222222225	4222222222222222226
4222222222222222227	4222222222222222228
4222222222222222229	42222222222222222210
42222222222222222211	42222222222222222212
42222222222222222213	42222222222222222214
42222222222222222215	42222222222222222216
42222222222222222217	42222222222222222218
42222222222222222219	42222222222222222220
42222222222222222221	42222222222222222222
42222222222222222223	42222222222222222224
4222222222222222	



# WHITMAN & HOWARD, INC.

EST. 1869 INC. 1924

ENGINEERS • PLANNERS • CONSTRUCTORS • CONTRACTORS

CHANNING HOWARD (1867-1958)

PAUL F. HOWARD  
EDWIN M. HOWARD  
C. ROGER PEARSON  
C. R. WICKERSON  
L. M. PITTEENDREIGH

89 Broad Street, Room 514, Boston 10, Massachusetts

Hancock 6-1633

April 28, 1960

Mr. Reinhold W. Thieme  
Commissioner of Water Resources  
Water Conservation Board  
Montpelier, Vermont

Dear Mr. Thieme:

April 29, 1960

We are enclosing two sets of revised Plans for the proposed Dam for Fire District No. 3, Colchester, Vermont.

1. Detailed surveys since the snow has melted indicate the ledge to be higher and the crest of the Dam has been raised to 383.0. No change was made in the typical section of the Dam. The higher elevation also will eliminate some low areas in the Reservoir.

2. The Intake Structure was moved to the North end of the Dam to take advantage of a ledge projection and thus eliminate a foot-bridge and pier.

Yours very truly,

WHITMAN & HOWARD, INC.

By George L. Parker

c/c Mr. Daniel Healey  
Colchester, Vermont

ROUTING	
REC'D	FILED
TO	FROM
Encl.	
J. C.	J. C.
Dated 4-29-60	4-29-60
SUSPENSE D 10	

Our 92nd Year of Engineering



## State of Vermont

### AGENCY OF ENVIRONMENTAL CONSERVATION

MARTIN L. JOHNSON, Secretary

Montpelier, Vermont 05602

DEPARTMENT OF WATER RESOURCES

August 29, 1974

Department of Fish and Game  
Department of Forests and Parks  
Department of Water Resources  
Environmental Board  
Division of Environmental Protection  
Division of Recreation  
Division of Planning  
Natural Resources Conservation Council

### COLCHESTER POND TOWN OF COLCHESTER CHITTENDEN COUNTY

Colchester Pond is located in the Eastern corner of the town. Access to the pond area is by town highways 15, 17, and 23, the latter of which is also called Lost Nation Road and leads to the East shore of the pond and the lands the Wheelocks have offered the state.

The original pond surface area was 97 acres. In 1965 a dam was built on Pond Brook about 2000 feet downstream of the natural outlet of the pond. This dam raised the pond level approximately 17 feet to elevation 383 and increased the surface area to 182 acres. The date of the Water Resources Board order of permission was 7/15/60.

The Pond has a maximum length of 5500 feet, a maximum width of 2000 feet, a mean width of 1400 feet, and a shoreline length of 14,500 feet.

The watershed area is 1.8 square miles and the drainage area to surface area ratio is 6.3. The area is about 70% forests.

The dam is a concrete structure, 42 feet long, 17 feet high with an Ogee crest spillway 34 feet in length. The dam was constructed on exposed ledge formations and from a site visit on 8/27/74 it appears to be very good condition.

The pond and 25 feet back from the shoreline is owned by Colchester Fire District #3. The surrounding acreage is owned by seven individuals, with Wheelocks owning about one third of this.

The pond is no longer used as a water supply as the area is now served by the Champlain Water District. Public access is not provided, however, according to Mrs. Wheelock, there is some unauthorized recreational use of the pond.

Colchester pond is a Class "A" water.

LRF/st  
Enclosure

## VERMONT DEPARTMENT OF WATER RESOURCES

## INFORMATION SHEET

Name of Dam Colchester Pond Town ColchesterOwner Colchester Fire District #3 Name of Stream R. d. BrookAddress Colchester, vt. 05446 Classification IIU.S.G.S. Coordinates: Lat. 44° 32' 55" Long. 73° 21' 31"

Fort Ethan Allen

U.S.G.S. Map Essex Center Aerial Photos VR-61-H 20-281 to 222

U.S.G.S. Elev. @ Spillway

Total Length of Dam 40 ft Crest Width of Emergency 38 ft  
Spillway 23 ft TOP GATE STRUCTUREWidth of Top 2 1/2 ft Maximum Height 15 ft. 17' error or Spillway

Spillway Capacity: Principal \_\_\_\_\_ Emergency \_\_\_\_\_

Pond Area 180 ± A Cowl Drainage Area 1.8 Sq. Mi.Pond Volume: Normal Water Level 2000 AF Design High Water Level \_\_\_\_\_Maximum Water Depth: Normal Water Level 15 ft. 6 in. Design High Water Level \_\_\_\_\_Storage Before Emergency Spillway is Used NoneUse of Reservoir Water SupplyDescription of Dam: Concrete gravity with 6" <sup>gated</sup> drain pipe.

Description of Spillway(s): Open weir

Designed by Whitman Howard year Built 1965Hearing Date May 12, 1960 Order Date July 15, 1960

Additional Remarks:

SUMMARY OF DATA AND CORRESPONDENCE

<u>DATE</u>	<u>TO</u>	<u>FROM</u>	<u>SUBJECT</u>	<u>PAGE</u>
-	File	-	Vermont Dept. of Water Resources Information Sheet	B-4
8-29-74	-	Dept. of Water Resources	Description of Pond and Dam	B-5
4-28-60	R.W. Thieme	Whitman & Howard	Transmittal letter - revised plans	B-6
3-17-60	R.W. Thieme	Whitman & Howard	Transmittal letter - revised plans and specs	B-8
3-60	-	Whitman & Howard	Specifications	B-9
3-60	-	Whitman & Howard	Design Plans - Reduced in size	B-12

COLCHESTER POND DAM

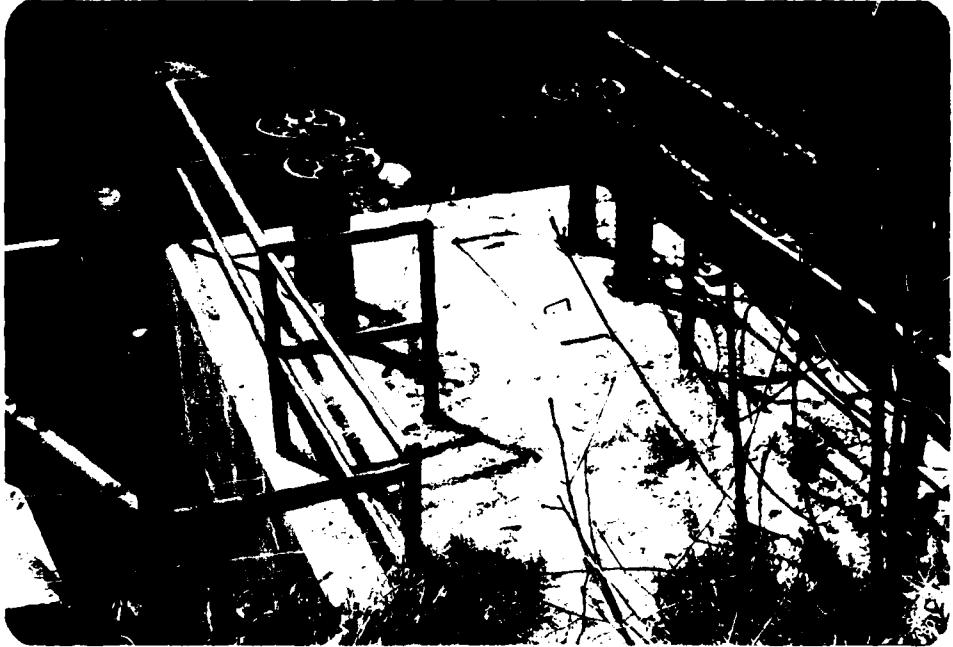
EXISTING PLANS

On file with Vermont Department of Water Resources:

1. Details of Dam - Pond Brook Reservoir  
Fire District No. 3 - Colchester, Vermont  
Whitman and Howard, Inc., Engineers - Boston, Mass.  
March, 1960 - Sheets 1 and 2  
Marked - "Revised, see sheets of April 29, 1960"
2. Proposed Water System  
Fire District No. 3 - Colchester, Vermont  
Scale 1" = 2000' - November, 1959  
Whitman and Howard, Inc., Engineers - Boston, Mass.

On file with Fire District No. 3:

3. Details of Dam - Pond Brook Reservoir  
Fire District No. 3 - Colchester, Vermont  
Whitman and Howard, Inc., Engineers - Boston, Mass.  
March, 1960 - revised sheets 1 and 2



(1) Operating Platform



(2) Seepage at Right Abutment

U.S.ARMY ENGINEER DIV, NEW ENGLAND CORPS OF ENGINEERS WALTHAM, MASSACHUSETTS	NATIONAL PROGRAM OF INSPECTION OF NON-FED. DAMS	Colchester Pond Dam VT 00056 Colchester, Vermont May 6, 1980
JAMES W. SEWALL COMPANY CONSULTANTS OLD TOWN, MAINE		C-2



(3) Bridge Abutment Directly  
Upstream of Left Abutment



(4) Spillway Crest and Gate Structure, With  
Roadway Bridge Abutments at Right

U.S.ARMY ENGINEER DIV, NEW ENGLAND CORPS OF ENGINEERS WALTHAM, MASSACHUSETTS	NATIONAL PROGRAM OF INSPECTION OF NON-FED. DAMS	Colchester Pond Dam VT 00056
JAMES W. SEWALL COMPANY CONSULTANTS OLD TOWN, MAINE		Colchester, Vermont May 6, 1980
		C-3



(5) Downstream Face of Concrete  
Ogee Spillway



(6) Spillway and Gate Structure

U.S.ARMY ENGINEER DIV, NEW ENGLAND CORPS OF ENGINEERS WALTHAM, MASSACHUSETTS	NATIONAL PROGRAM OF INSPECTION OF NON-FED. DAMS	Colchester Pond Dam VT 00056 Colchester, Vermont May 6, 1980
JAMES W. SEWALL COMPANY CONSULTANTS OLD TOWN, MAINE		



(7) Spillway Crest with Bridge  
Abutment in Left Background



(8) 6" Low Level Drain at Left  
of Spillway Base

U.S.ARMY ENGINEER DIV, NEW ENGLAND CORPS OF ENGINEERS WALTHAM, MASSACHUSETTS
JAMES W. SEWALL COMPANY CONSULTANTS OLD TOWN, MAINE

NATIONAL PROGRAM OF  
INSPECTION OF  
NON-FED. DAMS

Colchester Pond Dam

VT 00056

Colchester, Vermont

May 6, 1980

C-5



(9) Overview of Reservoir and Downstream Area



(10) Downstream Channel Immediately Below Dam

U.S.ARMY ENGINEER DIV, NEW ENGLAND CORPS OF ENGINEERS WALTHAM, MASSACHUSETTS	NATIONAL PROGRAM OF INSPECTION OF NON-FED. DAMS	Colchester Pond Dam
JAMES W. SEWALL COMPANY CONSULTANTS OLD TOWN, MAINE		VT 00056
		Colchester, Vermont
		May 6, 1980
		C-6



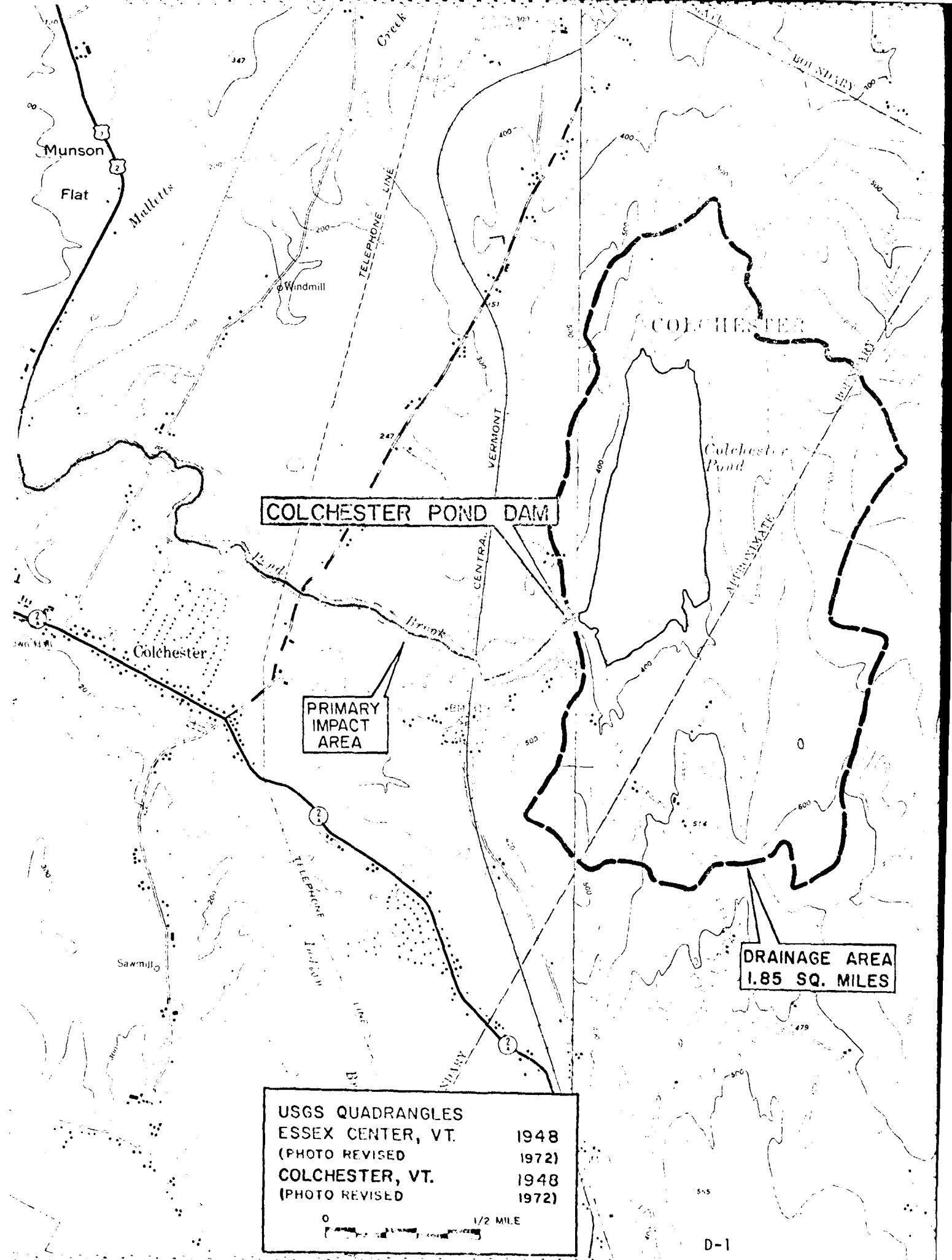
(11) Culvert Under Central Vermont Railroad Embankment



(12) Culvert Under Town Road, One Mile Downstream of Dam

U.S.ARMY ENGINEER DIV, NEW ENGLAND CORPS OF ENGINEERS WALTHAM, MASSACHUSETTS	NATIONAL PROGRAM OF INSPECTION OF NON-FED. DAMS	Colchester Pond Dam
JAMES W. SEWALL COMPANY CONSULTANTS OLD TOWN, MAINE		VT 00056
		Colchester, Vermont
		May 6, 1980
		C-7

APPENDIX D  
HYDRAULIC/HYDROLOGIC COMPUTATIONS



Subject Hydrologic / Hydraulic Inspection Computation Wt Job No. 1452-05 H

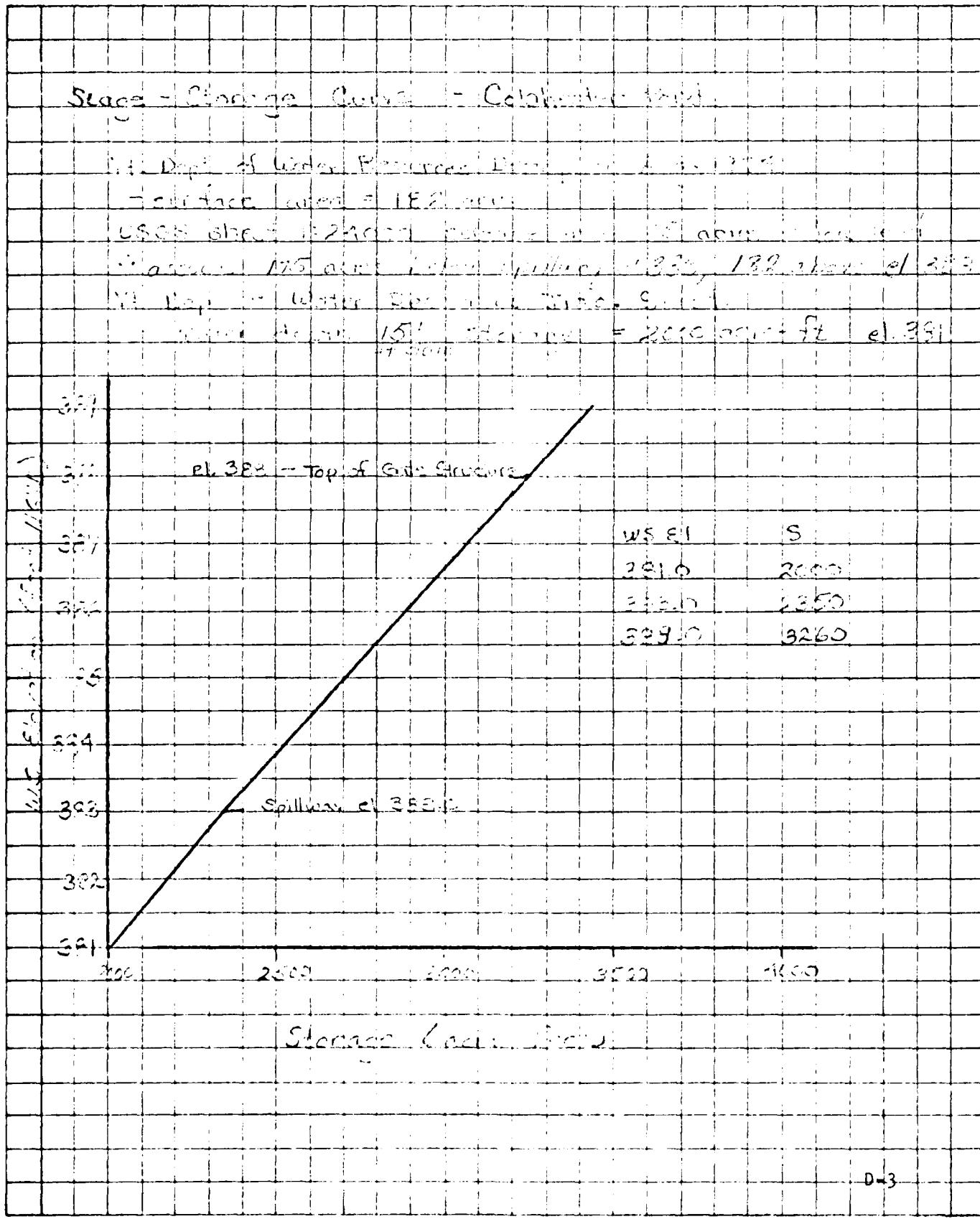
Computed by SDC Checked by SDC Date 7-1-64

<p><u>Hydrologic / Hydraulic Inspection</u></p> <p><u>I) Performance at Test Flood Conditions</u></p> <p><u>1) Design Probable Flood</u></p> <p>a) Watershed classified as "rural"</p> <p>b) Watershed Area</p> <p>1.85 sq. miles, Vt Co., Water Resources Inventory</p> <p>1.85 sq. miles (Stimmons average of 2 trials), USGS</p> <p>Street Elevation Center, Vt 1.5' M.L. elev.</p> <p>c) From 'NED-AGL Preliminary Guidance for Estimating max Probable Discharge' + Guide Curve for PMP</p> <p>Peak Flow = 1 +</p> <p>PMP = 2150 cfs / sq. mile</p> <p>d) Peak T (Time)</p> <p>PMP = 1.85 sq. miles <math>\times</math> 2150 cfs / mi<sup>2</sup> = 4000 cfs</p> <p>Similarly, 1/2 PMP = 2000 cfs</p> <p>2) Test Flood</p> <p>i. Classification of the Accident - NED-1</p> <p>ii. Size of Storm (in. of precipitation)</p> <p>Height = 25 feet (Test Flood)</p> <p>See Plan section of Survey for R</p>	
---	--

Subject Inspection of Colchester Pond

Computation Calculator Pond Calibration Job No. \_\_\_\_\_

Computed by MEP Checked by SDW Date 8-27-80



bject \_\_\_\_\_  
mputation \_\_\_\_\_ Job No. \_\_\_\_\_  
mputed by \_\_\_\_\_ Checked by \_\_\_\_\_ Date 10-21-19

b) Classification of Dam: Intermediate

c) Design Factor:

Park Inlet Flood would cause severe damage to the town. Velocity factor is taken as 1.0 and 2000 as the design factor. This is a very important parameter for a railway. Failure floods are taken as 1.15 times from 3-4 feet over crest and dam channel to a downstream. Thus, maximum additional factor is 1.15.

d) Classification:

Size: Intermediate

Number of Spillways:

b) P.M.F.  $\leq$  4000      T.I.F.  $\leq$  2000      Test Flood

3) Design of Dam Structure:

i) Park Inlet: Test Flood @  $\frac{1}{2}$  P.M.F.  $\leq$  2000 cfs

ii) Outflow: Rating Curve

Spillway = 3' 0"      21' centreline + 6'

15' 2" + 6' = 21' 2"

No. = " - 6' "

	21	W.E.		
1	76	321.0		
2	77	321.0		
3	78	321.0		
4	79	321.0		
5	80	321.0		
6	81	321.0		
7	82	321.0		



ект 1 of 1

utation 1 of 1 Job No. 1

uted by W.H. Checked by W.H. Date 1-1-1

a) Spillway Capacity at Top of Dam

$$H = 5.0' \quad C_p = 1.0 \text{ cfs} \quad (4 \text{ in. } C_p = 1/2 \text{ R.H.F.})$$

b) Surface Elevation at Top Cap.

$$Q_p = 1/2 \text{ P.D.F.} = 2000 \text{ cfs} \quad H = 8.3'$$

4) Effect of Surface on Maximum Friction Discharge

a) Lake Bed 1.0' below Dam  $H = 18.3 \text{ ft.}$

At Depth of 1.0' Maximum Discharge Area  $A = 1000 \text{ ft.}^2$

$$3 \text{ sec. check USGS 1/2 sec. } H = 17.5 \text{ ft. } 1 \text{ ft. below}$$

b) Assume Normal Flow Level at Spillway Crest (below 3.0' C)

c) Discharge Area  $A = 18.5 \text{ m.}^2$  (see p.)

d) Discharge ( $C_p$ ) at Various Surface Elevations

$$H = 51' \quad V = 18.5 \text{ m.}^2 \times C_p = 18.5 \text{ m.}^2 \cdot 1.0$$

$$S = 0.19 / (1.0) = 0.19 \text{ m.}^2 \text{ sec.}^{-2} = 23$$

$$H = 21' \quad V = 18.5 \text{ m.}^2 \times 2' = 36.9 \text{ m.}^2 \cdot 1.0$$

$$S = 0.19 / (2) = 0.095 \text{ m.}^2 \text{ sec.}^{-2} = 3.69$$

Estimated Maximum Flow Discharge Guideline

6.0' max. frictionless head in the channel

$Q_p = Q_u / (1 - 0.2 \cdot 0.2) \text{ for } Q_u = 1/2 \text{ R.H.F.}$

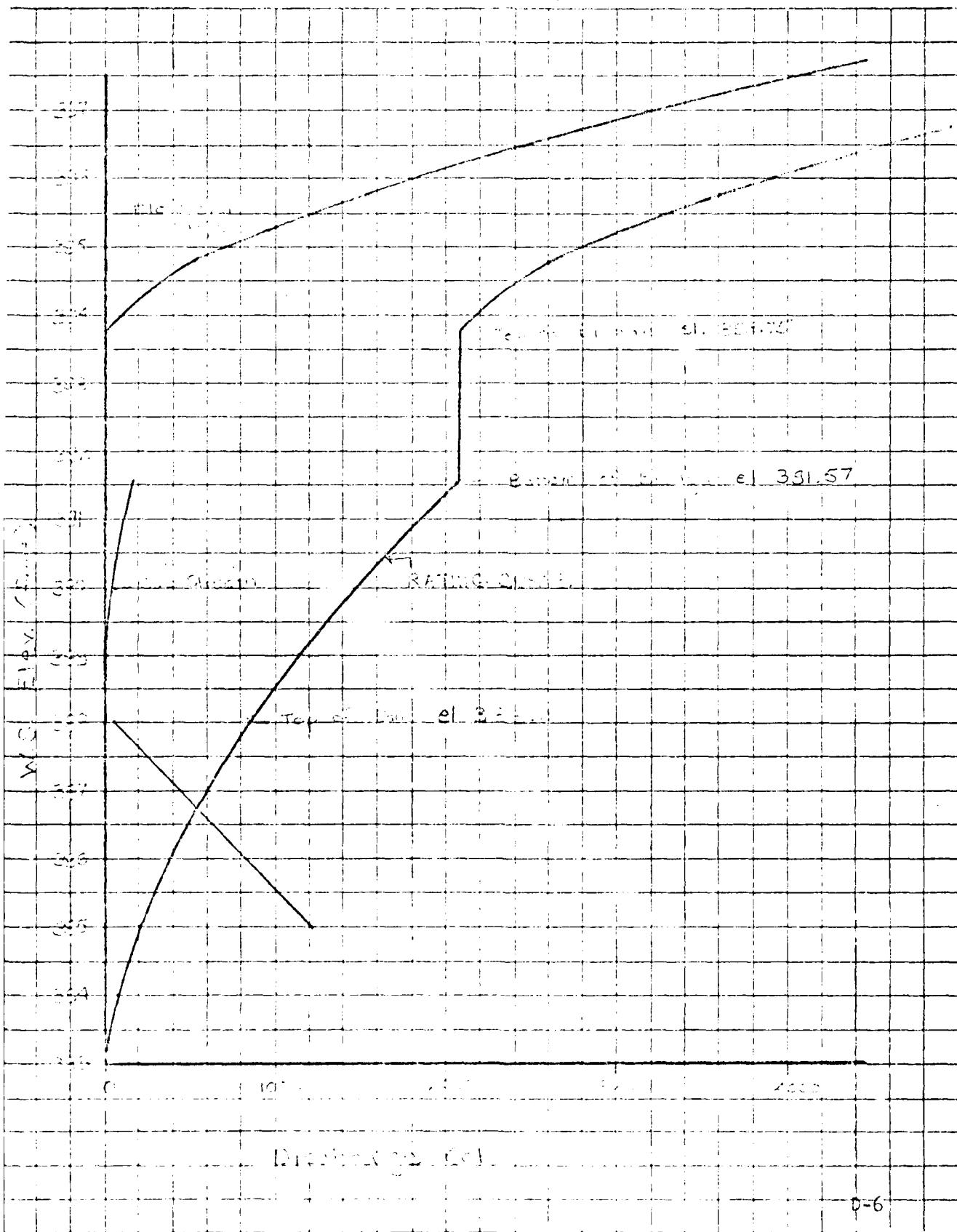
$$H = 51' \quad C_p = 1.0$$

$$H = 2' \quad C_p = 1.0 \text{ cfs}$$

JAMES W. SEWALL COMPANY, OLD TOWN, MAINE  
Civil and Sanitary Engineers

Sheet \_\_\_\_\_ of \_\_\_\_\_

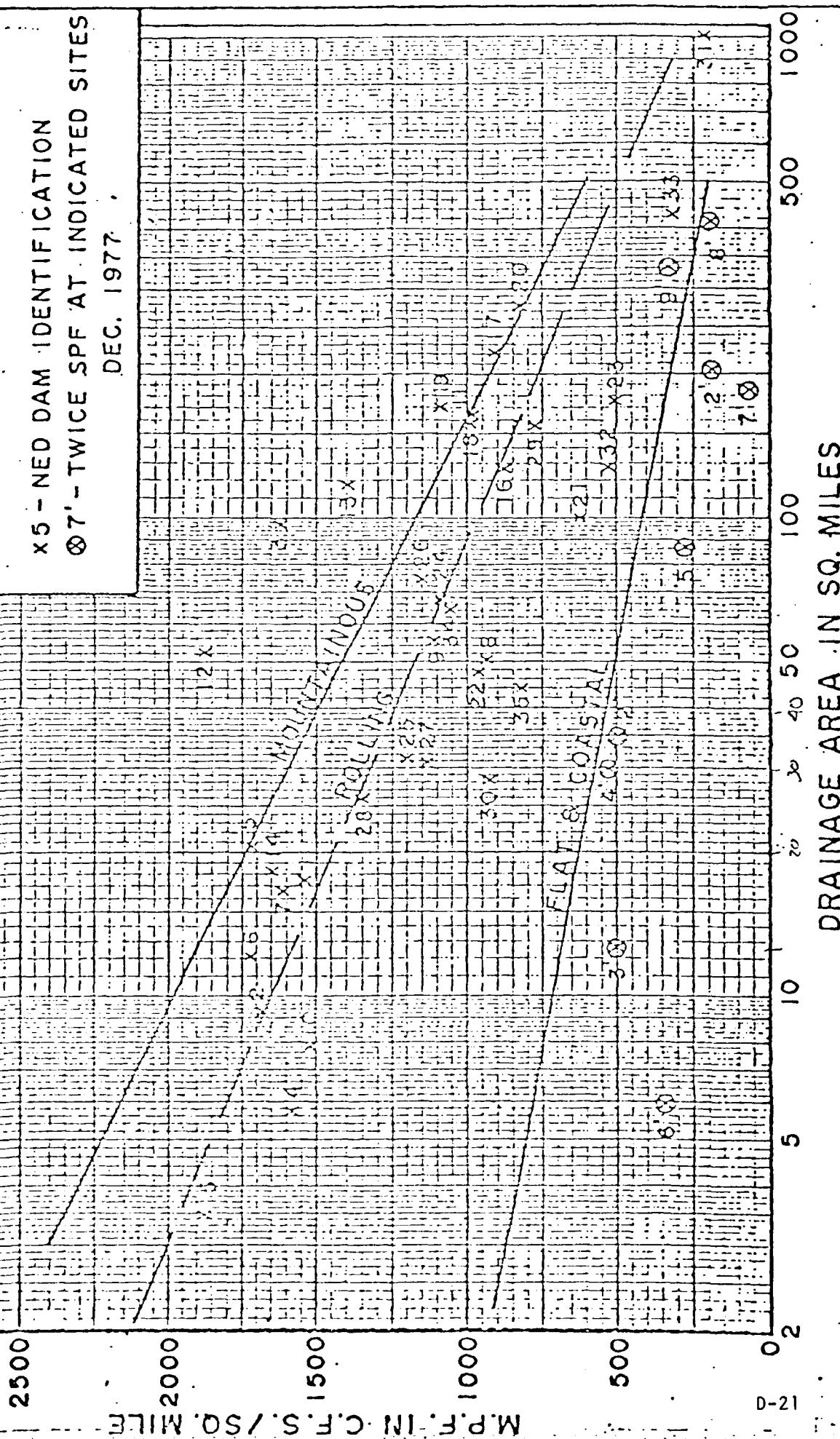
ct Topographic Survey Col. 1 Job No. AKS-117-11  
tation 1-1-11 Checked by 2000 Date 7-21-77  
ted by D.E.



MAXIMUM PROBABLE FLOOD

PEAK FLOW RATES

X5 - NEW DAM IDENTIFICATION  
⊗7' - TWICE SPF AT INDICATED SITES  
DEC. 1977



MAXIMUM PROBABLE FLOWS  
BASED ON TWICE THE  
STANDARD PROJECT FLOOD  
(Flat and Coastal Areas)

<u>River</u>	<u>SPF</u> (cfs)	<u>D.A.</u> (sq. mi.)	<u>MPF</u> (cfs/sq. mi.)
1. Pawtuxet River	19,000	200	190
2. Mill River (R.I.)	8,500	34	500
3. Peters River (R.I.)	3,200	13	490
4. Kettle Brook	8,000	30	530
5. Sudbury River.	11,700	86	270
6. Indian Brook (Hopk.)	1,000	5.9	340
7. Charles River.	6,000	184	65
8. Blackstone River.	43,000	416	200
9. Quinebaug River	55,000	331	330

MAXIMUM PROBABLE FLOOD INFLOWS  
NED RESERVOIRS

<u>Project</u>	<u>Q</u> (cfs)	<u>D.A.</u> (sq. mi.)	<u>MPF</u> cfs/sq. mi.
1. Hall Meadow Brook	26,600	17.2	1,546
2. East Branch	15,500	9.25	1,675
3. Thomaston	158,000	97.2	1,625
4. Northfield Brook	9,000	5.7	1,580
5. Black Rock	35,000	20.4	1,715
6. Hancock Brook	20,700	12.0	1,725
7. Hop Brook	26,400	16.4	1,610
8. Tully	47,000	50.0	940
9. Barre Falls	61,000	55.0	1,109
10. Conant Brook	11,900	7.8	1,525
11. Knightville	160,000	162.0	987
12. Littleville	98,000	52.3	1,870
13. Colebrook River	165,000	118.0	1,400
14. Mad River	30,000	18.2	1,650
15. Sucker Brook	6,500	3.43	1,895
16. Union Village	110,000	126.0	873
17. North Hartland	199,000	220.0	904
18. North Springfield	157,000	158.0	994
19. Ball Mountain	190,000	172.0	1,105
20. Townshend	228,000	106.0(278 total)	820
21. Surry Mountain	63,000	100.0	630
22. Otter Brook	45,000	47.0	957
23. Birch Hill	88,500	175.0	505
24. East Brimfield	73,900	67.5	1,095
25. Westville	38,400	99.5(32 net)	1,200
26. West Thompson	85,000	173.5(74 net)	1,150
27. Hodges Village	35,600	31.1	1,145
28. Buffumville	36,500	26.5	1,377
29. Mansfield Hollow	125,000	159.0	786
30. West Hill	26,000	28.0	928
31. Franklin Falls	210,000	1000.0	210
32. Blackwater	66,500	128.0	520
33. Hopkinton	135,000	426.0	316
34. Everett	68,000	64.0	1,062
35. MacDowell	36,300	44.0	825

PRELIMINARY GUIDANCE  
FOR ESTIMATING  
MAXIMUM PROBABLE DISCHARGES  
IN  
PHASE I DAM SAFETY  
INVESTIGATIONS

New England Division  
Corps of Engineers

March 1978

Subject Inspection of non-federal Dam in New England

Computation Colchester Pond Colchester Vt Job No. 953-05 H

Computed by M.E.B Checked by SCH Date 7-22-80

Summary

a) Peak Failure Outflow = 2800 cfs

b) Raise in stage just D/s of Dam = 3.5'

c) Approximate stage before failure = 6000 ft D/s of Dam  
 $Y_s = 5.25'$

d) Approximate stage after failure = 6000 ft D/s of Dam  
 $Y_p = 9.0'$

e) Raise in stage = 6000 ft D/s of Dam  
 $\Delta Y = 9.0 - 5.25 = 3.75'$

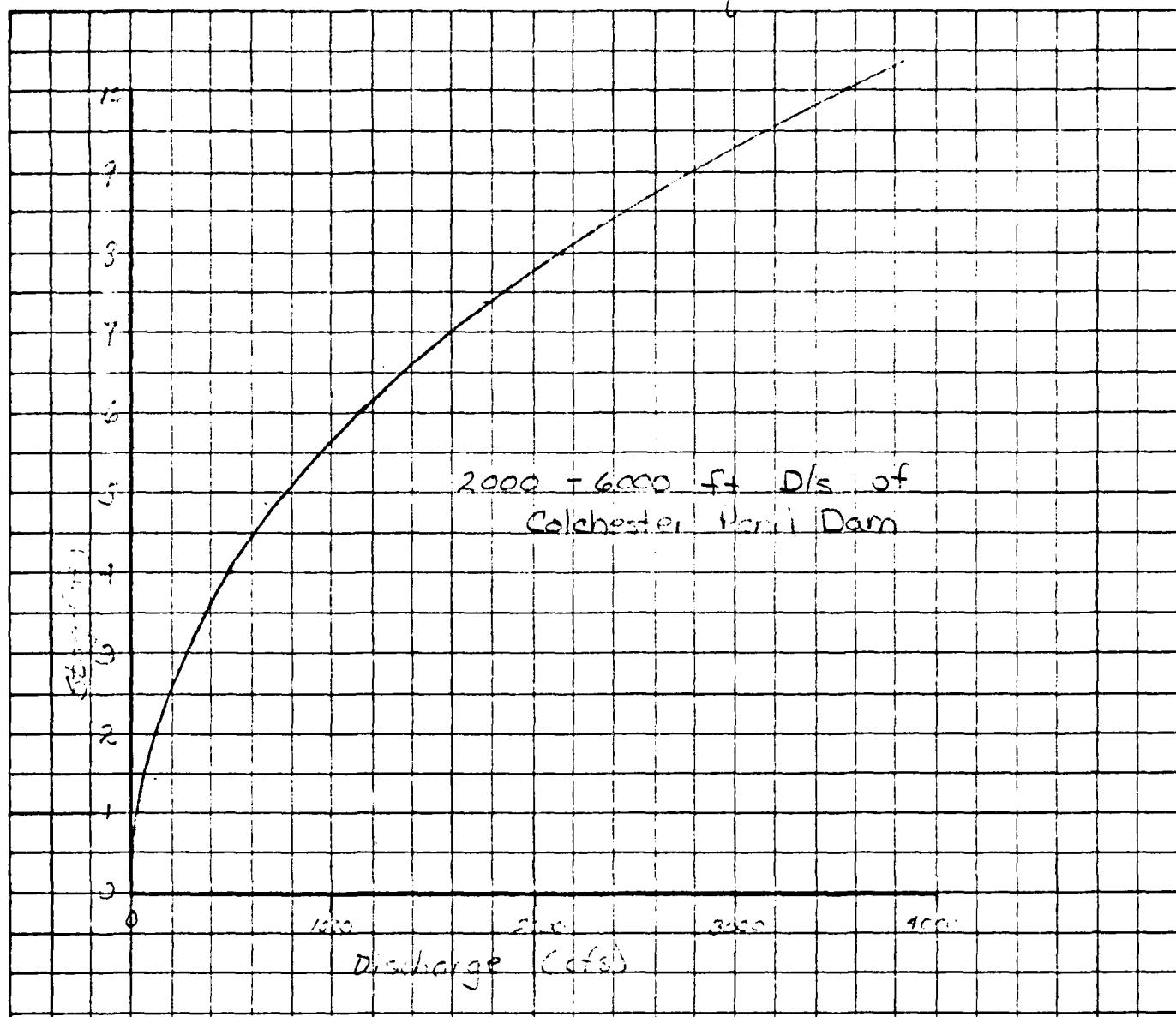
JAMES W. SEWALL COMPANY, OLD TOWN, MAINE  
Civil and Sanitary Engineers

Sheet \_\_\_\_\_ of \_\_\_\_\_

Subject Inspection of the Colchester

Computation Colchester, Ph. 1 Dam Job No. 712-0014

Computed by R.P. Checked by SM Date 7-22-67



See x-sect calculations p. 14.

JAMES W. SEWALL COMPANY, OLD TOWN, MAINE  
Civil and Sanitary Engineers

Sheet \_\_\_\_\_ of \_\_\_\_\_

Subject Inspection of non-factored Area of New Engine

Computation Calkester Pond Calkester Vt Job No. 953-654

Computed by DPE Checked by SDY Date 8-27-80

i) Raise in Stage 2000 - 6000 ft D/5 of Dari

$A_{1,2,3} \propto X-1000$

$$Q = AV \quad V = 1.186 R^{2/3} S^{1/2} \quad \leftarrow 10' \rightarrow$$

$$S \approx .01 \quad (\text{from USGS}) \quad n \approx .045$$

H	A	P	R	Y	Q
2	30	20.1	1.41	7.22	128
1	27	31.59	2.52	6.13	791
6	150	12.17	3.71	7.67	1150
8	211	53.19	4.51	7.01	2164
11	350	62.98	5.14	6.35	3638

See chart p. 15

Stage for  $Q_s = 850 \text{ cfs}$   $H = 5.25'$

Stage for  $Q_s = 2800 \text{ cfs}$   $H = 9'$

Rain in stage = 3.75'

is approximately 1000 ft in the river reach  
- erosion protection assumed unnecessary.

Subject Inspection of earthen dam

Computation Collector Pond, Old Town, ME Job No. 953-054

Computed by NEE Checked by SDM Date 8-27-87

$$\text{Pre-failure Volume} = \frac{(44.84 + 265.45)}{2(43540)} 1500 = 457.8 \text{ ac-ft}$$

$$\text{Failure Volume} = \frac{(111.69 + 275.50)}{2(43540)} 1500 = 476.3 \text{ ac-ft}$$

$$\text{Volume in Reach} = 476.3 - 457.8 + 19.5 \text{ ac-ft}$$

$$\begin{aligned} Q_{p2}(\text{trial}) &= Q_p (1 + \frac{1}{2}) \\ &= 2800 (1 + \frac{18.5}{3260}) \\ &= 2924 \text{ cfs} \approx 2800 \text{ cfs} \end{aligned}$$

$\therefore$  Storage behind railroad not does not attenuate peak flow significantly

c) Raise in stage at Pond Crossing Approx. 1 mile  
Dls. from Dam

4.3" Acc Imp., ± 30' long, 5' below road surface

$$\begin{aligned} H &= h_f + h_{exit} + h_{exit} & Q &= AV \\ h_{exit} &= 0.5 v^2 & H &= 1.0 v^2 & h_f &= f L v^2 & f = 0.73 \\ \frac{dg}{2g} & & \text{exit} & & \frac{2g}{2g} & & L = 30 \quad D = 4 \end{aligned}$$

$H = 5'$   $Q = 15.2 \text{ cfs}$  before overtopping road

$\therefore$  Assume roadway overtopped and take off prior to dam failure

Continuing further downstream, there are no buildings or structures lower than 40 feet and the inundated area is less than 1000 square feet. The dam would not suffer any major damage downstream.

Subject Inspection of non-federal dams

Computation Colchester Pond

Job No. 953-05 H

Computed by M.E.B.

Checked by SDA

Date 8-25--

Assuming that the railroad crossing remains stable, it would dam up the stream up to 1500 feet upstream of the railroad bed, that is to say, 500 feet downstream of the dam. The first 500 feet of the downstream channel would be like the cross-section pictured on page 9. Computations indicate that there is no significant storage in this first downstream section so the storage computations shown here will start with the section 500-2000 feet downstream of the dam.

Reach 500-2000 ft DLS of Dam

Railroad crossing at DLS end of reach

Reservoir storage at time of failure = 3260 Ac-ft

Volume in stream reach available for storage

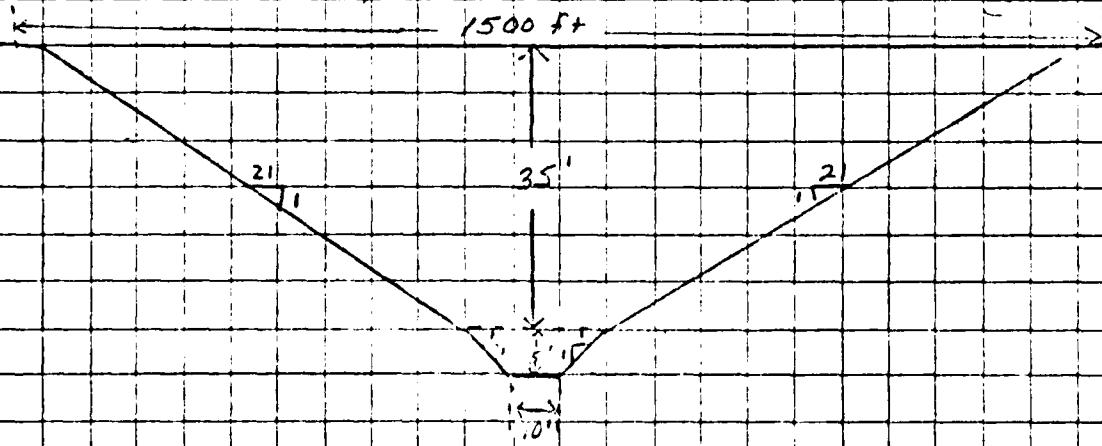
= Failure volume - Pre-failure volume

Failure Volume =  $(\text{Upstream } Y_{scf} + \text{Downstream } Y_{scf}) \cdot L$

$L$  = Length of Reach

Pre-failure volume similarly computed

Downstream X-section (at Railroad Crossing)



Subject Inspection of non-federal dams in New England

Computation Calchester Point Calchester VT Job No. 953-054

Computed by MEB Checked by SDM Date 3-27-50

1. Railroad crossing approx 2000 feet downstream crit.

Flow over Railroad Tracks

$$Q = C \cdot I \cdot A \quad C \approx 2.5 \quad I \approx 10 \text{ sec}^{-1} \text{ (Time of fall)}$$

H G

1 119

2 165

3 133.6

4 217.6

5 321.2

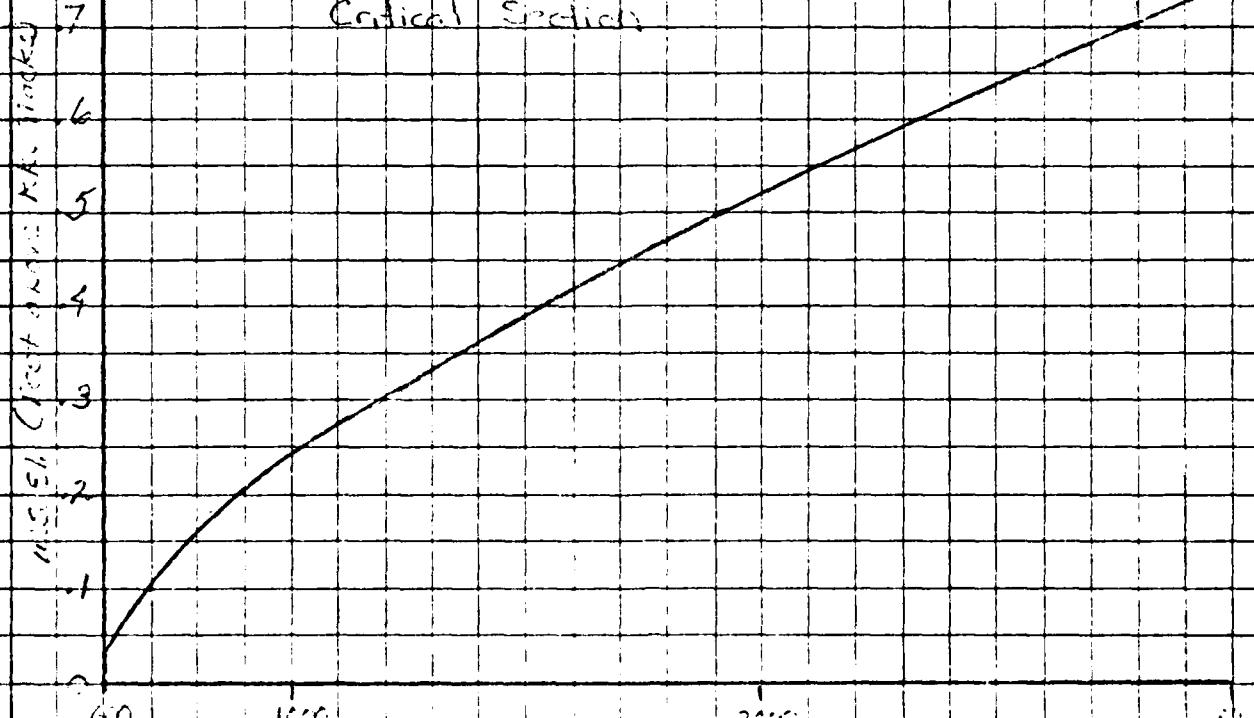
9

Stage - Discharge Curve

S

R. E. Johnson

Critical Section



Discharge (cfs)

JAMES W. SEWALL COMPANY, OLD TOWN, MAINE  
Civil and Sanitary Engineers

Sheet \_\_\_\_\_ of \_\_\_\_\_

Subject Inspection of non-festive dunes

Computation Colchester Pond Colchester Vt Job No. 953-05 H

Computed by MEE Checked by SDY Date 7-22-80

Immediately downstream from Dam

H	A	P	R	V	Q
1	9	10.32	.83	9.09	81
2	20	13.66	1.45	13.19	264
4	48	19.31	2.43	18.77	901
5	65	22.19	2.31	20.95	1363
6	84	24.97	3.26	22.57	930
7	105	27.8	3.72	24.21	2665
8	126	31.6	4.18	26.55	3311

8

7

6

5

4

3

2

1

0

Immediately D.E. from Dam

Distribution (cfs)

Subject Investigation of water damage at Calais

Computation Calchester Pond Calculations Job No. 953-05 H

Computed by W.E.T. Checked by SDY Date 3-25-62

c) Peak Failure Outflow

Peak Failure Outflow = Branch Outflow + Headwater Spillway

Discharge

$$= 2354 + 403$$

• 3757 cfs say 2800 cfs +

2) Peak Flood and Stage - Downstream River Reaches

a) Immediately downstream from the dam

Apprx. Cross-section  $V = 1.426 \frac{H^{4.3}}{11}$

$$n = 0.095 \quad s = 0.75$$

(Froude no.)

← 8' →

Pre-failure Flow = 850 cfs  $H = 3.2'$  (rec. curve on following page)

Failure Flow = 2870 cfs  $H = 7.3'$  "

Range in stage =  $7.3 - 3.2 = 4.1$  feet

b) Railroad crossing approx. 2000 ft downstream

60" A.C.C.M.P. = 53' long, 3.5' high track

$$H + \frac{1}{2} \frac{V^2}{g} = h_{\text{vert}} \quad Q = AV$$

$$h_{\text{vert}} = 1.5 \frac{V^2}{g} \quad H = 1.0 \frac{V^2}{g} \quad t = 5.1 \frac{V^2}{g} \quad \frac{t}{D} = 0.5 \quad 1 - 0.5$$

$$H = 3.2' \quad Q = 1.1 \text{ cfs}$$

Action limited by 3.2' therefore railroad level

Canal crest 1.1

Subject Impaction of embankment

Computation Calculator for Par. 100-100 ft Job No. 952-2544

Computed by MEB Checked by SDY Date 2-11-61

II Downstream Failure Hazard

i) Peak Failure Outflow Assume Submergence to top of bank

a) Breach Outflow

b) Breach Width  $W_b$

Mid-Height El. 35' + 3' = 38' N.G.D. (38' - 25' = 13')

Assume Mid-Height Length = 28' (from 3' H drop)

Breach Width (see I.E.D. N.C.E. D/10 Dam Failure Guidelines)  $W_b = C_1 \times 28' = 11.2$  feet

c) Height  $h_b$

Height at time of failure = 25'

d) Breach Outflow

$$Q_b = C_2 \cdot W_b \cdot g \cdot h_b^{3/2} \quad W_b = 11.2$$

$$h_b = 25$$

$$Q_b = 2351 \text{ c.f.s.}^{-1}$$

b) Remaining Spillway Discharge

Assume breach within spillway section

$$21' - 11' = 10' \text{ (less than } 10')$$

$$C_3 = 0.7 H^{3/2} \quad H = 10' \quad C_3 = 5.72$$

$$Q_s = C_3 \cdot W_s \cdot g \cdot H^{3/2}$$

$$Q_s = 5.72 \cdot 10' \cdot 32.2 \cdot 10^{3/2} = 1120 \text{ c.f.s.}$$

Subject Inspection of outlet line

Computation Calibration Prior to Calibration No. Job No. 952-05 4

Computed by MSP Checked by SDY Date 2-27-50

e) Peak Outflow ( $Q_{p_3}$ )

Using NED-425 Guidelines "Guidelines for  
Routing Alternate Method"

$$Q_{p_3} = 550 \text{ cfs } @ = 3.75' \text{ for } Q_{p_1} = 1/2 \text{ PMF}$$

f) Spillway Capacity to Outflow

Spillway capacity to top of line = 350 cfs

$Q_s \leq 155\%$  of the outflow at  $1/2$  PMF

Summary

a) Peak Inflow

$$\text{Test Elevation} = 1/2 \text{ PMF} \leq 2000 \text{ cfs}$$

b) Peak Outflow

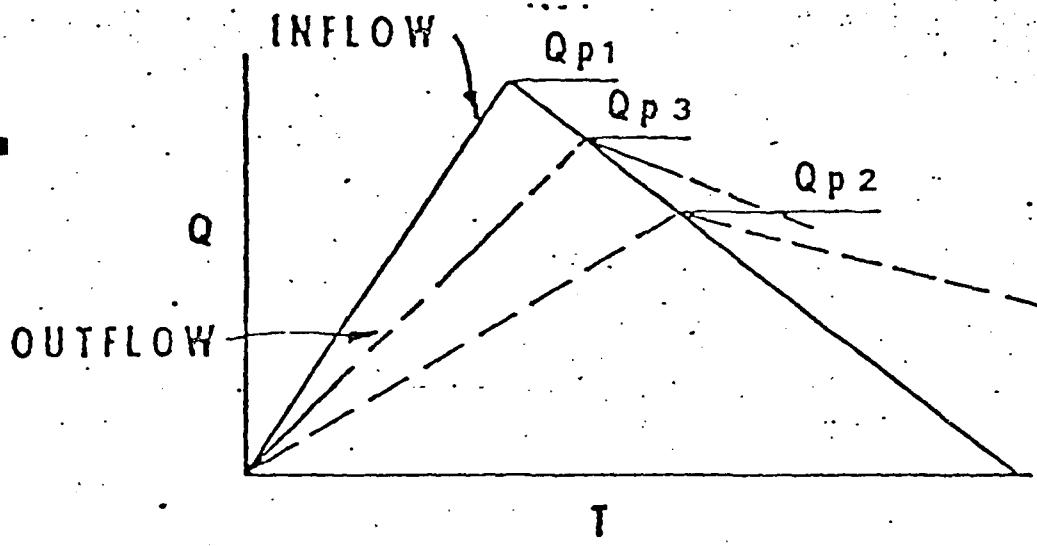
$$Q_{p_3} = 550 \text{ cfs } @ 1/2 \text{ PMF}$$

c) Spillway PMF Capacity

$$Q_s = 350 \text{ cfs or } 155\% \text{ of } Q_{p_3}$$

Therefore, at Test Elevation =  $1/2$  PMF, the  
spillway handle: the outlet line utilization  
is 55% of its capacity with an upstream storage  
above the spillway of  $3.75'$ .

# ESTIMATING EFFECT OF SURCHARGE STORAGE ON MAXIMUM PROBABLE DISCHARGES



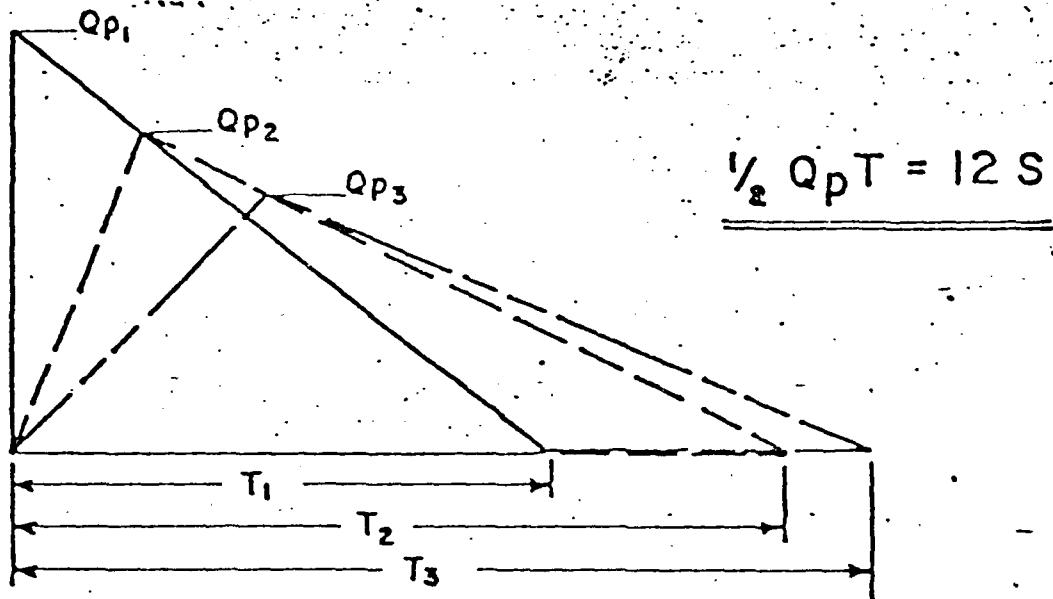
STEP 1: Determine Peak Inflow ( $Q_{p1}$ ) from Guide Curves.

STEP 2: a. Determine Surcharge Height To Pass " $Q_{p1}$ ".  
b. Determine Volume of Surcharge ( $STOR_1$ ) In Inches of Runoff.  
c. Maximum Probable Flood Runoff In New England equals Approx. 19", Therefore:

$$Q_{p2} = Q_{p1} \times \left(1 - \frac{STOR_1}{19}\right)$$

STEP 3: a. Determine Surcharge Height and " $STOR_2$ " To Pass " $Q_{p2}$ ".  
b. Average " $STOR_1$ " and " $STOR_2$ " and Determine Average Surcharge and Resulting Peak Outflow " $Q_{p3}$ ".

**"RULE OF THUMB" GUIDANCE FOR ESTIMATING  
DOWNSTREAM DAM FAILURE HYDROGRAPHS**



**STEP 1:** DETERMINE OR ESTIMATE RESERVOIR STORAGE (S) IN AC-FT AT TIME OF FAILURE.  
**STEP 2:** DETERMINE PEAK FAILURE OUTFLOW ( $Q_{p1}$ ).

$$Q_{p1} = \frac{8}{27} w_b \sqrt{g} Y_0^{3/2}$$

$w_b$  = BREACH WIDTH - SUGGEST VALUE NOT GREATER THAN 40% OF DAM LENGTH ACROSS RIVER AT MID HEIGHT.

$Y_0$  = TOTAL HEIGHT FROM RIVER BED TO POOL LEVEL AT FAILURE.

**STEP 3:** USING USGS TOPO OR OTHER DATA, DEVELOP REPRESENTATIVE STAGE-DISCHARGE RATING FOR SELECTED DOWNSTREAM RIVER REACH.

**STEP 4:** ESTIMATE REACH OUTFLOW ( $Q_{p2}$ ) USING FOLLOWING ITERATION.

A. APPLY  $Q_{p1}$  TO STAGE RATING, DETERMINE STAGE AND ACCOMPANYING VOLUME ( $V_1$ ) IN REACH IN AC-FT. (NOTE: IF  $V_1$  EXCEEDS 1/2 OF S, SELECT SHORTER REACH.)

B. DETERMINE TRIAL  $Q_{p2}$ :

$$Q_{p2}(\text{TRIAL}) = Q_{p1} \left(1 - \frac{V_1}{S}\right)$$

C. COMPUTE  $V_2$  USING  $Q_{p2}$  (TRIAL).

D. AVERAGE  $V_1$  AND  $V_2$  AND COMPUTE  $Q_{p2}$ .

$$Q_{p2} = Q_{p1} \left(1 - \frac{V_{avg}}{S}\right)$$

**STEP 5:** FOR SUCCEEDING REACHES REPEAT STEPS 3 AND 4.

APRIL 1978

APPENDIX E  
INFORMATION AS CONTAINED IN  
THE NATIONAL INVENTORY OF DAMS

## INVENTORY OF DAMS IN THE UNITED STATES

INVENTORY OF DAMS IN THE UNITED STATES										
STATE (COUNTY, DIST., CITY, STATE, COUNTY, DIST.)	NAME	REPORT DATE (MONTH, DAY, YEAR)								
Sc. No.	VI 007 01	COLCHESTER POND	4432.9 7307.5 15 OCT 60							
POPULAR NAME		NAME OF INOUNDMENT								
		COLCHESTER POND								
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)	(8)	(9)	(10)	
REGULATORY AGENCY	RIVER OR STREAM	NEAREST DOWNSTREAM CITY-TOWN-VILLAGE	NAME	POPULATION (MIL.)	DIST FROM DAM (MIL.)	POPULATION	MAINTENANCE	WATER RESOURCES BD	WATER RESOURCES BD	
U.S. CORPS OF ENGINEERS	POND BROOK	COLCHESTER	COLCHESTER	1						
TYPE OF DAM	YEAR COMPLETED	PURPOSES	STRUCTURAL HEIGHT (FEET)	HYPOTENUSE HEIGHT (FEET)	IMPOUNDING CAPACITIES (ACRE-FT.)	OWNER	REGULATORY AGENCY	DESIGN	WATER RESOURCES BD	
PL	1965	R	25	20	2350	COLCHESTER FIRST CIVIL DEFENSE	CONSTRUCTION	WATER RESOURCES BD	WATER RESOURCES BD	
REMARKS										
25-3814 CONSTR FOR WATER SUPPLY										
SPILLWAY	MAXIMUM DISCHARGE (CFS)	VOLUME OF DAM (CY)	POWER CAPACITY INSTALLED (KVA)	INSTALLED PROPOSED (KVA)	NAVIGATION LOCKS	OWNER	REGULATORY AGENCY	DESIGN	WATER RESOURCES BD	
42	0	850				COLCHESTER FIRST CIVIL DEFENSE	CONSTRUCTION	WATER RESOURCES BD	WATER RESOURCES BD	
CONSTRUCTION BY										
COLCHESTER FIRST CIVIL DEFENSE					WHITMAN + HOWARD	CONSTRUCTION BY				
MAINTENANCE										
INSPECTION BY		INSPECTION DATE (DAY, MONTH, YEAR)		AUTHORITY FOR INSPECTION						
J. W. SEWALL CO FOR CORPS OF ENGRS		05 MAY 60		CONTRACT NO. DADM 33-60-C-0051						
REMARKS										

**END**

**FILMED**

**9-85**

**DTIC**